

Carney R. Shegerian, Esq., State Bar No. 150461
CShegerian@Shegerianlaw.com
Mahru Madjidi, Esq., State Bar No. 297906
MMadjidi@Shegerianlaw.com
Alex DiBona, Esq., State Bar No. 265744
ADiBona@shegerianlaw.com
SHEGERIAN & ASSOCIATES, INC.
320 North Larchmont Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90004
Telephone Number: (310) 860 0770
Facsimile Number: (310) 860 0771

Attorneys for Plaintiff,
ALEX VILLANUEVA

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, WESTERN DIVISION

ALEX VILLANUEVA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, LOS
ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS, COUNTY EQUITY
OVERSIGHT PANEL, LOS
ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF
INSPECTOR GENERAL,
CONSTANCE KOMOROSKI,
MERCEDES CRUZ, ROBERTA
YANG, LAURA LECRIVAIN,
SERGIO V. ESCOBEDO, RON
KOPPERUD, ROBERT G. LUNA,
MAX-GUSTAF HUNTSMAN,
ESTHER LIM, and DOES 1 to 100,
inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: 2:24 cv 04979 SVW (JC)

The Honorable Stephen V. Wilson

**PLAINTIFF ALEX VILLANUEVA'S
APPENDIX OF EXHIBITS IN
OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS'
MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT
OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE,
SUMMARY ADJUDICATION, VOLUME
1 OF 6**

Date: May 19, 2025
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Dept.: 10A

Trial Date: June 3, 2025
Action Filed: June 13, 2024

TABLE OF CONTENTS

No.	Declaration
1	Declaration of Alex Villanueva
2	Declaration of Alex DiBona, Esq.

Exhibit ¹	Evidence
1	Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Motion “Report Regarding Options for Removing the Sheriff” Dated October 27, 2020
2	Ordinance allowing Office of Inspector General to Issue Subpoenas written by Veronica Pawlowski dated January 21, 2020
3	Email from Vanessa Chow to John Satterfield and Alex Villanueva regarding FBI Briefing on Fulgent dated February 1, 2022
4	Letter from Alex Villanueva to Hilda Solis Entitled Ethical Violations of First District Justice Deputy dated February 9, 2021
5	“Tweets” from Ester Lim attached to February 9, 2021 letter
6	Letter from Alex Villanueva to County Counsel asking for Defense in Fulgent Lawsuit dated January 31, 2022
7	Denial of Counsel to Alex Villaneuva from Los Angeles County Counsel dated February 15, 2022

¹ Volume I includes Exhibit Nos. 1-17;

Volume II includes Exhibit Nos. 18-30;

Volume III includes Exhibit Nos. 31-40;

Volume IV includes Exhibit Nos. 41-48;

Volume V includes Exhibit Nos. 49-66;

Exhibit ¹	Evidence
8	Letter from Alex Villanueva to Hilda Solis Entitled Ethical Violations of First District Justice Deputy dated March 4, 2022
9	Email from Ester Lim to Hilda Solis's Chief of Staff Cindy Chen dated March 8, 2022
10	Ester Lim's Letter to Vicky Bane, Executive Director of the County Equity Oversight Panel for the County of Los Angeles dated March 8, 2022
11	Ester Lim's submitted online complaint regarding Alex Villanueva dated March 08, 2022
12	Texts between Ester Lim and Max Huntsman Re their complaints dated sometime in March 2022.
13	Letter from Alex Villanueva to Board of Supervisors Opposing Ballot Measure J dated July 11, 2022
14	July 12, 2022 Motion of the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors to Place Ballot Measure for the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to remove Sheriff by 4/5 vote.
15	January 4, 2023 Letter from Ron Kopperud to Alex Villanueva regarding request for Interview
16	Email Chain between Alex Villanueva and Christine Diaz Herrera dated January 9, 2023 to March 10, 2023
17	Internal Affairs Bureau "Stacked" Case Filed for Ester Lim's Complaint regarding Alex Villanueva completed October 2, 2023
18	Internal Affairs Bureau "Stacked" Case Filed for Max Huntsman's Complaint regarding Alex Villanueva completed October 2, 2023
19	Internal Affairs Bureau Investigator's Log regarding Ester Lim's Ester

Exhibit ¹	Evidence
	Lim's Complaint regarding Alex Villanueva completed October 2, 2023
20	Internal Affairs Bureau Investigator's Log regarding Max Huntsman Complaint regarding Alex Villanueva completed October 2, 2023
21	Letter from Sergio Escobedo to County Equity Oversight Panel on Charges Founded dated October 17, 2023
22	Texts between Ester Lim and Max Huntsman Re wanting their complaint of Alex Villanueva to go public in December 2023
23	Desk Plaque for Max Huntsman and Max Hunts Professional Profile.
24	Devanne, Ann, relevant deposition excerpts
25	Diaz Herrera, Christian, relevant deposition excerpts
26	Komoroski, Constance, relevant deposition excerpts
27	Pawlowski, Veronica, relevant deposition excerpts
28	Murakami, Timothy, relevant deposition excerpts
29	Escobedo, Sergia, relevant deposition excerpts
30	Lilienfeld, Mark, relevant deposition excerpts
31	Lim, Ester, relevant deposition excerpts
32	Huntsman, Max, relevant deposition excerpts
33	Cruz, Mercedes, relevant deposition excerpts
34	Lecrevian, Laura, relevant deposition excerpts
35	Coates, Kyla, relevant deposition excerpts
36	Yang, Roberta, relevant deposition excerpts
37	12/18/2018 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

Exhibit ¹	Evidence
38	1/29/219 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
39	08/13/19 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
40	10-01-19 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
41	10/15/19 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
42	01/28/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
43	03/31/30 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
44	04/28/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
45	06/29/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
46	07/07/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
47	07/21/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
48	07/28/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
49	08/04/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
50	09/01/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

Exhibit¹	Evidence
51	09/15/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
52	10/13/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
53	10/27/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
54	11/10/20 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
55	01/26/21 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
56	05/04/21 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
57	05/18/21 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
58	05/19/21 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
59	06/22/21 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
60	07/27/21 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
61	08/10/21 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
62	09/28/21 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

Exhibit ¹	Evidence
63	12-07-21 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
64	02/15/22 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
65	03/01/22 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
66	07/12/22 Relevant Excerpts of the Transcript of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

Dated: April 28, 2025

SHEGERIAN & ASSOCIATES, INC.

By:



Alex DiBona, Esq.

Attorneys for Plaintiff,
ALEX VILLANUEVA

EXHIBIT 49



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Adobe Acrobat Reader

Finding Words

You can use the Find command to find a complete word or part of a word in the current PDF document. Acrobat Reader looks for the word by reading every word on every page in the file, including text in form fields.

To find a word using the Find command:

1. Click the Find button (**Binoculars**), or choose Edit > Find.
2. Enter the text to find in the text box.
3. Select search options if necessary:
Match Whole Word Only finds only occurrences of the complete word you enter in the box. For example, if you search for the word *stick*, the words *tick* and *sticky* will not be highlighted.

Match Case finds only words that contain exactly the same capitalization you enter in the box.

Find Backwards starts the search from the current page and goes backwards through the document.

4. Click Find. Acrobat Reader finds the next occurrence of the word.

To find the next occurrence of the word, Do one of the following:

Choose Edit > Find Again

Reopen the find dialog box, and click Find Again.

(The word must already be in the Find text box.)

Copying and pasting text and graphics to another application

You can select text or a graphic in a PDF document, copy it to the Clipboard, and paste it into another application such as a word processor. You can also paste text into a PDF document note or into a bookmark. Once the selected text or graphic is on the Clipboard, you can switch to another application and paste it into another document.

Note: *If a font copied from a PDF document is not available on the system displaying the copied text, the font cannot be preserved. A default font is substituted.*

THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**To select and copy it to the clipboard:**

1. Select the text tool **T**, and do one of the following:
To select a line of text, select the first letter of the sentence or phrase and drag to the last letter.

To select multiple columns of text (horizontally), hold down Ctrl+Alt (Windows) or Option (Mac OS) as you drag across the width of the document.

To select a column of text (vertically), Hold down Ctrl+Alt (Windows) or Option+Command (Mac OS) as you drag the length of the document.

To select all the text on the page, choose Edit > Select All. In single page mode, all the text on the current page is selected. In Continuous or Continuous – facing mode, most of the text in the document is selected. When you release the mouse button, the selected text is highlighted. To deselect the text and start over, click anywhere outside the selected text. The Select All command will not select all the text in the document. A workaround for this (Windows) is to use the Edit > Copy command. Choose Edit > Copy to copy the selected text to the clipboard.

2. To view the text, choose Window > Show Clipboard

In Windows 95, the Clipboard Viewer is not installed by default and you cannot use the Show Clipboard command until it is installed. To install the Clipboard Viewer, Choose Start > Settings > Control Panel > Add/Remove Programs, and then click the Windows Setup tab. Double-click Accessories, check Clipboard Viewer, and click OK.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2020 ON PAGE 246]

3
4
5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO THE
6 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS AUGUST 4, 2020. THE MEETING TODAY IS
8 BEING HELD REMOTELY, DUE TO THE CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS,
9 TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL NOW TAKE ROLL CALL TO
10 CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND RESPOND WHEN
11 YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12
13 **>SUP. SOLIS:** PRESENT.

14
15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

16
17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HERE.

18
19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

20
21 **SUP. KUEHL:** HERE.

22
23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

24
25 **SUP. HAHN:** I'M HERE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER?

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I'M HERE.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MARY WICKHAM, COUNTY COUNSEL?

7

8 **MARY WICKHAM:** PRESENT.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
11 BOARD?

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL
16 BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENT SEPARATELY FROM REGULAR
17 AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS DURING TODAY'S MEETING.
18 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 6400 WRITTEN
19 PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN
20 COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE
21 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN
22 ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC
23 COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. DUE TO THE NUMBER OF WRITTEN
24 PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED, WE WILL NOT BE READING THE NAMES.
25 HOWEVER, THESE COMMENTS WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 FUNDING TO MEET THE NEEDS OF CALIFORNIA FAMILIES. THE 90,000
2 MEMBERS OF S.E.I.U. 721 URGE YOU TO DO THE RIGHT THING TODAY.
3 PROP 15 DESERVES YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU. ON ITEM 75-I, I
4 WOULD LIKE TO SAY S.E.I.U. 721 SUPPORTS THE EFFORTS TO PROVIDE
5 TRAINING PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT [INAUDIBLE] TO THIS COUNTY. WE
6 SUPPORT THE CREATION OF JOBS IN THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, A
7 REVENUE-GENERATING DEPARTMENT IN WHICH INVESTMENTS MAY PRODUCE
8 LONG-TERM FINANCIAL BENEFITS TO L.A. COUNTY. IF THE VOTERS IN
9 LOS ANGELES APPROVE PROPOSITION 15, THE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY
10 TAX REFORM MEASURE IN NOVEMBER, INVESTMENT IN THE ASSESSOR'S
11 OFFICE TRAINING PROGRAM WILL LOOK PARTICULARLY PRESCIENT.
12 THANK YOU.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THAT NOW COMPLETES AN HOUR OF
15 PUBLIC COMMENT TESTIMONY.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS
18 HAS ENDED. THANK YOU ALL THAT CALLED IN TO SPEAK. IF YOU WERE
19 UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS, YOU MAY SUBMIT WRITTEN
20 COMMENTS, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO
21 ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING,
22 WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM
23 SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.
24 SHERIFF, YOU WILL HAVE 5 MINUTES TO ADDRESS THESE ITEMS.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. I WANT TO
2 ADDRESS ITEMS 3 AND 4, AND A LETTER WE RECEIVED FROM THE
3 C.E.O.'S OFFICE YESTERDAY. ON ITEM NUMBER 3, DATA COLLECTION
4 TO SUPPORT PRETRIAL REFORM IN L.A. COUNTY, IT SAYS DOWN THE
5 LINE HERE THAT "JUSTICE INVOLVEMENT OUTCOMES FOR DEFENDANTS
6 DURING THEIR CASE ADJUDICATION AND AFTER ADJUDICATION SINCE
7 THE START OF THE C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC," AND "WHAT ASSISTANCE
8 WAS PROVIDED TO THOSE RELEASED PRETRIAL." AND MY CONCERN ON
9 THIS ITEM IS THE SAME THAT I SHARE WITH ITEM NUMBER 4,
10 CREATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA SHARING INITIATIVE IN LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY. IT'S SAYING THAT IT IS GOING TO "START
12 COLLECTING, ANALYZING, AND PUBLISHING DATA THAT IS CURRENTLY
13 AND REASONABLY ACCESSIBLE ABOUT THE JUSTICE-IMPACTED
14 POPULATION." AND IT SAYS, "DEVELOP A LONG-TERM PLAN FOR
15 COLLECTION, ANALYSIS, AND PUBLICATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
16 DIVERSION AND HEALTH DATA THAT INCLUDES INDIVIDUAL-LEVEL DATA"
17 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND MY CONCERN ON BOTH OF THESE, 3
18 AND 4, IS, NONE OF THEM SAY ANYTHING ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS TO THE
19 VICTIMS, IF THE VICTIMS ARE INVOLUNTARILY INVOLVED IN THE
20 JUSTICE SYSTEM, AND, AS A RESULT OF THEIR INVOLUNTARY
21 INVOLVEMENT, THEY SUFFER HORRENDOUS THINGS, UP TO AND
22 INCLUDING DEATH, AS WHAT HAPPENED WITH ISABELA CORTEZ. THAT
23 WAS A PRETRIAL DETAINEE WHO WAS RELEASED, BASED ON THE ZERO
24 BAIL SCHEDULING. AND RATHER THAN JUST DISMISS HER DEATH AS A
25 NEGATIVE OUTCOME BASED ON PREVIOUS COMMENTS FROM THE OFFICE OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 DIVERSION AND REENTRY, THAT IS A TRAGEDY, AND THAT IS A FACE
2 OF THE TRAGEDY OF THE VICTIMS OF CRIME. AND SINCE THE BOARD
3 HAS ELECTED NOT TO REALLY TALK ABOUT VICTIMS OF CRIME AND
4 REPRESENT VICTIMS IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM, I AM DOING
5 IT FOR THEM, AND I AM HERE TO REPRESENT VICTIMS OF CRIME
6 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. IN THE FACE OF VICTIMS OF CRIME--

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, I TAKE EXCEPTION TO THAT.

9

10 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, SIR, YOU CAN TAKE ALL THE EXCEPTION
11 YOU WANT, BUT I'M LOOKING AFTER--

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I JUST DID. YOUR CHECK ON THE BOARD FOR
14 NOT REPRESENTING VICTIMS IS UNCALLED FOR, AND IT SHOULDN'T
15 STAND WITHOUT BEING CHALLENGED.

16

17 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, YOU CAN CHALLENGE IT ALL YOU WANT,
18 SIR, BUT WHERE IS--

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I JUST DID.

21

22 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WHERE IS THE DATA COLLECTION ON VICTIMS?
23 WHERE IS IT? I DON'T SEE IT ON NUMBER 3 OR ON ITEM NUMBER 4.

24 IN FACT, IT IS TOTALLY ABSENT FROM THE CONVERSATION. SO I

25 WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO SUPPORT YOU IF YOU CREATE A BOARD



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 MOTION TO DISCUSS VICTIMS OF CRIME AND THEIR PLIGHT IN THE
2 CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM, AND I WILL SUPPORT YOU 100 PERCENT,
3 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. ANYWAY, THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** NOW, I'VE GOT ONE LAST THING. TWO LAST
8 THINGS. ONE IS THAT THIS WAS A LETTER THAT WAS IN THE L.A.
9 TIMES, A LETTER TO THE EDITOR IN THE L.A. TIMES. IT IS FROM
10 ANTHONY EDWARDS OF SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA, OFFERS A BLEAK
11 ASSESSMENT FROM AFAR: "CALIFORNIA IS AND WAS AN INTERNATIONAL
12 TOURIST DESTINATION. DISNEYLAND, THE REDWOODS IN THE NORTH,
13 THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY, SAN DIEGO-- ALL ARE PLACES I WANT TO
14 VISIT AGAIN, BUT NOT UNTIL C.O.V.I.D.-19 IS DEAD, GUN VIOLENCE
15 AND MASS SHOOTINGS ARE DOWN, AND PRESIDENT TRUMP IS HISTORY.
16 IT'S UP TO YOU HOW YOU CUT IT, BUT UNTIL YOU SHARE MORE CARE
17 AND LOVE FOR YOUR FELLOW AMERICANS, WE'RE NOT INTO YOU AT ALL.
18 I HOPE TO VISIT YOU AND MY AMERICAN FRIENDS AGAIN SOON." AND
19 THAT'S A VERY TELLING LETTER, AND THE POINT IS THAT WE RELY ON
20 TOURISM. THAT'S A HUGE PART OF THE ECONOMY OF SOUTHERN
21 CALIFORNIA AND L.A. COUNTY, SO JUST KEEP THAT IN MIND. AND
22 LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, I WAS INFORMED ON FRIDAY THAT THE BOARD,
23 THE C.E.O., HAS RENEGED ON THE BOARD MOTION THAT YOU WERE
24 GOING TO PROVIDE AND ALLOW FOR FOUR CLASSES IN THE ACADEMY,
25 AND OUR AUGUST CLASS, WHICH WAS ONE OF THE ONES THAT WE AGREED



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 TO, WAS GOING TO START ON AUGUST 10TH. HOWEVER, ON FRIDAY, ALL
2 THE ATTENDEES TO THAT CLASSROOM WERE INFORMED THAT THE CLASS
3 WAS CANCELED, WHICH NOW LEAVES 22 FORMER ACADEMY ATTENDEES,
4 THEY'RE NOW UNEMPLOYED, BECAUSE THEY GAVE THEIR TWO WEEKS'
5 NOTICE TO QUIT TO THEIR FORMER JOBS, AND THEY HAVE NO JOB TO
6 BE GOING INTO IT. SO THAT IS 22 LOSSES IN THE MAKING RIGHT
7 THERE, SO I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO HAVE THE BOARD ADDRESS, OR
8 THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, BECAUSE I THINK WE NEED TO, IF WE MAKE A
9 DEAL, WE NEED TO STICK TO THE DEAL, AND THAT'S THE ONLY WAY.
10 OTHERWISE, WE BECOME A VERY UNSTABLE, UNRELIABLE EMPLOYER, AND
11 IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO ATTRACT APPLICANTS IN THE FUTURE TO THE
12 DEPARTMENT. [INAUDIBLE] IN THE LONG TERM, WE'RE ALWAYS GOING
13 TO BE HIRING. WE WANT TO HIRE THE BEST TO SERVE LOS ANGELES
14 COUNTY. WHY NOT HIRE THEM FROM WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY? SO,
15 IF THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE CAN ADDRESS THAT, WE'D MUCH APPRECIATE
16 IT. THANK YOU.

17
18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SHERIFF VILLANUEVA. WITH THAT,
19 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEMS THAT
20 WE WILL BE VOTING ON.

21
22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BEFORE YOU ARE ITEMS
23 1-D THROUGH 4-D, 1-P, 1, 3, 5, 7 THROUGH 9, 11 THROUGH 13, 15,
24 17 THROUGH 19, 21 AND 22; 24 AND 25, AND ON THOSE ITEMS
25 SUPERVISOR BARGER VOTES NO; 26 THROUGH 31, 44 THROUGH 54, 56,



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE PROGRAMS THIS CHARTER IS GOING TO MANDATE, WE HAVE
2 INVESTED FAR MORE THAN 10 PERCENT, AND THAT WAS WITHOUT HAVING
3 A CHARTER AND HAVING TO GO BEFORE THE VOTERS. SO WITH THAT, I
4 WILL REMAIN COMMITTED TO A NO.

5

6 **SUP. KUEHL:** [INAUDIBLE]

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YES, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. IT'S INTERESTING. I THINK THAT
11 YOU HAD SAID TO ME YOU WANTED TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION LAST
12 WEEK, BECAUSE WE HAD SO MUCH ON THE AGENDA THIS WEEK, SO I WAS
13 KIND OF SURPRISED. BUT YOU'RE RIGHT. THIS IS THE LAST STEP
14 BEFORE THIS MAY GO ON THE BALLOT, SO WHY NOT TRY ONE MORE TIME
15 AND MAKE IT VERY CLEAR? BUT, MOST RESPECTFULLY-- AND I REALLY
16 MEAN THIS-- TAKE ISSUE WITH MANY OF THE CHARACTERIZATIONS THAT
17 YOU HAVE MADE. FIRST OF ALL, TO SAY THAT THIS IS A DANGER TO
18 OUR DEPARTMENTS DOES NOT EXHIBIT A FULL READING OF WHAT IT
19 SAYS. THIS IS TO CREATE A BASELINE MINIMUM THRESHOLD TO
20 ALLOCATE 10 PERCENT OF FLEXIBLE N.C.C., AS YOU POINTED OUT, TO
21 HOUSING AND HOMELESS SERVICES, TO MENTAL HEALTH, TO DIVERSION.
22 DO YOU KNOW WHO IS DOING THAT NOW? I MEAN, THAT IS MANY OF OUR
23 DEPARTMENTS. I CAN'T IMAGINE THAT YOU THINK THAT THE ONLY
24 IMPORTANT DEPARTMENT WOULD BE OUR SHERIFF, BECAUSE MENTAL
25 HEALTH MIGHT STAND TO GET A GOOD DEAL MORE MONEY, OR HOUSING



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 AND HOMELESS SERVICES. DIVERSION, AS YOU KNOW, IS IN THE
2 HEALTH DEPARTMENT. SO TO SAY THAT THERE IS SOME THREAT TO THE
3 DEPARTMENTS, WHEN ALL OF THIS MONEY COULD BE ALLOCATED TO
4 DEPARTMENTS, IF I MAY SAY SO, IT IS A BIT RIDICULOUS, AND I
5 THINK A LITTLE INFLAMMATORY. SECONDLY, TO SAY THAT
6 STAKEHOLDERS WERE NOT ENGAGED IN THIS, I WOULD SAY THAT,
7 GENERALLY, STAKEHOLDERS ARE VERY RARELY ENGAGED IN MANY, MANY,
8 MANY OF THE MOTIONS THAT WE MAKE, AND IN THIS ONE, THEY WERE
9 TOTALLY ENGAGED. THEY WERE TALKING FOR MONTHS ABOUT THIS, IF
10 NOT WAY MORE THAN THAT. THIRDLY, TO SAY THIS LESSENS OUR
11 PARTNERSHIP WITH LABOR IS ALSO NOT ACCURATE. WE HAVE NOT
12 VIOLATED, NOR WILL WE VIOLATE, ANY OF OUR AGREEMENTS WITH OUR
13 LABOR PARTNERS. AND AGAIN, THAT'S NOT JUST A.L.A.D.S. AND
14 P.P.O.A., YOU KNOW. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT S.E.I.U., THAT
15 REPRESENTS SOCIAL WORKERS WHO ARE DEEPLY ENGAGED IN THIS WORK,
16 AND WOULDN'T MIND HAVING A LITTLE HELP. SO THIS DOESN'T TIE
17 OUR HANDS, IN A WAY; IT SIMPLY SAYS WE'D LIKE YOU TO ALLOCATE
18 THIS MONEY IN WAYS THAT HELP COMMUNITIES. AND I DON'T THINK
19 THAT THAT'S REALLY A BAD THING. IT DOESN'T TAKE ANYTHING AWAY
20 FROM OUR PRIORITIES. IT ACTUALLY EXHIBITS OUR PRIORITIES. AND,
21 YOU KNOW, THE OTHER THING IS, I WONDER THAT YOU DON'T QUESTION
22 WHY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HASN'T TAKEN A NUMBER OF DEPUTIES
23 AWAY FROM CUSTODY AND PUT THEM OUT INTO PATROL IN THE CONTRACT
24 CITIES. I MEAN, THAT'S WHERE I'D LIKE TO SEE THEM. THAT'S
25 WHERE I ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE THEM. WE'RE DOWN 30%, IN TERMS OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OUR JAIL POPULATION, AND WE'RE STILL NOT SEEING A REDUCTION IN
2 CUSTODY OFFICERS AND AN INCREASE IN THE CITIES. SO, YOU KNOW,
3 WHEN THE SHERIFF TALKS ABOUT HAVING TO CLOSE SOME STATION
4 SOMEWHERE, THAT'S HIS DECISION, AND HE CERTAINLY DOESN'T HAVE
5 TO DO IT. HE SHOULD BE AUGMENTING THOSE STATIONS. AND FINALLY,
6 I WANT TO SAY THAT THIS IS VERY WIDE OPEN AND NOT AS LIMITED
7 AS EVERYONE HAS INDICATED. WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT SPENDING MONEY
8 ON THESE COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, ON HOUSING AND HOMELESS SERVICES,
9 ON MENTAL HEALTH AND DIVERSION, IT GIVES A GOOD DEAL OF
10 DECISION TO THE BOARD-- TO EACH BOARD, EVERY YEAR-- AS TO WHAT
11 TO DO WITH THIS. THIS IS NOT A VERY BIG PART OF N.C.C. WHEN
12 YOU LOOK AT WHAT GOES TO ALL THE PUBLIC SAFETY AREAS, IT'S
13 LIKE 10 TIMES AS MUCH, AND IT WOULDN'T BE THREATENED BY THIS
14 10 PERCENT. SO I THINK WE, IN A WAY, SORT OF NEED TO CALM DOWN
15 A LITTLE BIT ABOUT IT, AND REALLY LOOK AT THE LANGUAGE THAT
16 WE'RE ASKING THE VOTERS TO RATIFY. YOU KNOW, THESE ARE
17 DECISIONS THAT THE BOARD IS-- OR AT LEAST 80 PERCENT OF IT, SO
18 FAR-- IS MAKING, AND I THINK IT'S A RESPONSIBLE ONE. I THANK
19 FESIA FOR POINTING OUT THE DIFFERENT WAYS IN WHICH OUR
20 SERVICES ARE FUNDED. AND I AM PROUD TO BE CASTING MY VOTE FOR
21 THIS FOR THE THIRD TIME, TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT AND SAY TO
22 THE VOTERS, THESE ARE OUR PRIORITIES. THIS IS WHAT WE WANT TO
23 DO WITH THE MONEY. WHAT DO YOU THINK SHOULD BE A CHARTER
24 AMENDMENT? THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

25

EXHIBIT 50



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 ON PAGE 200]**

SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO THE
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2020. OUR
MEETING TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY, DUE TO THE CURRENT
PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS, TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL NOW
TAKE ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC
AND RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. SOLIS: PRESENT.

SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR
KUEHL?

SUP. KUEHL: HERE.

SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HAHN?

SUP. HAHN: I'M HERE.

SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: FESIA DAVENPORT, ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE
OFFICER?



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I'M HERE.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MARY WICKHAM, COUNTY COUNSEL?

5

6 **MARY WICKHAM:** PRESENT.

7

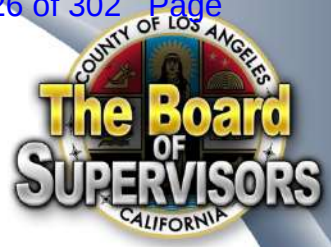
8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
9 BOARD?

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL
14 BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS DURING TODAY'S MEETING.
15 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 3500 WRITTEN
16 PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN
17 COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE
18 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH
19 THE BROWN ACT'S REQUIREMENT. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE
20 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. DUE DO THE
21 NUMBER OF WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED, WE WILL NOT BE
22 ABLE TO READ ALL THE NAMES. HOWEVER, THESE COMMENTS WILL
23 BECOME PART OF OUR OFFICIAL RECORD. COLLEAGUES, FOR TODAY'S
24 MEETING, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL READ THE AGENDA, FOLLOWED
25 BY PUBLIC COMMENT, AFTER WHICH WE WILL VOTE ON THE CONSENT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ITEMS, AND ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE SUPERVISORS. WE WILL THEN
2 CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION. ONCE WE RETURN, WE WILL TAKE UP
3 THE ITEMS HELD BY THE SUPERVISORS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
4 PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
7 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SPECIAL
8 DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
9 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ON PAGE 3, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE
10 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON PAGE 4, CONSENT
11 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' ITEMS 1 THROUGH 26. ON ITEM 3,
12 SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 6,
13 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
14 AGENDA. ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
15 BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE. ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
16 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 11, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
17 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE, AS
18 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 12, SUPERVISOR
19 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ALSO INCLUDES A
20 REVISION, AS INDICATE IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 13,
21 SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 14,
22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 18,
23 19, AND 20, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS
24 BE HELD. ON ITEM 22, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT
25 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 24, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SEVERAL REQUESTS FROM OUR INSPECTOR GENERAL GOING UNFULFILLED.
2 WE ALL NEED TO BE WORKING TOWARD INCREASING COMMUNITY TRUST,
3 AND THE APPARENT RESISTANCE TO OVERSIGHT IS ERODING YEARS OF
4 WORK BY THIS BOARD AND OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS. AND IT IS
5 A DISSERVICE TO THE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
6 BECAUSE HE'S UNDERMINING THE GOOD WORK THAT MANY OF THEM ARE
7 DOING. IT'S AN ODD POSITION TO HAVE TO REMIND THIS SHERIFF
8 THAT, EVEN AS THE CHIEF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF L.A.
9 COUNTY, HE IS NOT ABOVE THE LAW. NO MATTER WHAT YOUR
10 INTERPRETATION IS OF CASE LAW, COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE STATE'S
11 JUDICIAL COUNSEL HAVE BEEN THOROUGH IN CRAFTING LANGUAGE FOR
12 POLICY SURROUNDING OVERSIGHT AND INFORMATION SHARING. DESPITE
13 EVERY EFFORT FROM THE SHERIFF TO COUNTER IT, ALLOWING THE
14 INSPECTOR GENERAL TO OVERSEE THE INVESTIGATION IS LAWFUL, AND
15 CANNOT BE REFUTED. THE SHARING OF INFORMATION WITH THE
16 INSPECTOR GENERAL IS REQUIRED UNDER THE COUNTY CODE. LET ME
17 REMIND YOU, THERE IS NO GRAY AREA. THIS CHARADE HAS GONE ON
18 LONG ENOUGH. IT IS VERY UNFORTUNATE THAT WE FIND OURSELVES,
19 YET AGAIN, HAVING TO ENGAGE THE COURTS IN ORDER TO HAVE THE
20 SHERIFF COMPLY WITH THE LAW. THIS IS SOMETHING I HAVE NOT SEEN
21 IN MY 30 YEARS WITH THE COUNTY, AND CERTAINLY NOT A PRECEDENT
22 THAT I WANT TO SET. FRANKLY, IT'S EMBARRASSING, AND I HOPE WE
23 CAN IMPROVE, MOVING FORWARD. SO I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS
24 MOTION, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND, AGAIN, IT'S TRULY
25 UNFORTUNATE WE FIND OURSELVES IN A POSITION TO HAVE TO EVEN

THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



1 SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

2

3 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
4 THOMAS?

5

6 SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS: AYE.

7

8 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
9 KUEHL?

10

11 SUP. KUEHL: AYE.

12

13 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

14

15 SUP. HAHN: AYE.

16

17 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

18

19 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: AYE.

20

21 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-
22 0, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF NOTED.

23

24 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL HEAR FROM SHERIFF
25 VILLANUEVA, WHO HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 10, 12, AND 68-I. SHERIFF, YOU WILL HAVE 5 MINUTES TO ADDRESS
2 THESE ITEMS.

3

4 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR THE
5 OPPORTUNITY. FIRST, I WANT TO EXTEND MY CONDOLENCES TO THE
6 FAMILY OF DIJON KIZZEE, WHO SUCCUMBED YESTERDAY TO A DEPUTY-
7 INVOLVED SHOOTING, AND OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO THE
8 FAMILY, WHICH THAT INCLUDES A MEMBER OF MY OWN DEPARTMENT, WHO
9 IS A COUSIN OF THE DECEASED. AND FIRST, LET ME ADDRESS ITEM
10 NUMBER 12, REGARDING I.C.E. TRANSFERS, AND I WANT TO THANK THE
11 BOARD FOR MAKING THE MORATORIUM THAT I'VE IMPOSED PERMANENT,
12 AND THAT IS A VERY GOOD STEP FORWARD. AND THAT MOTION IS BASED
13 ON, ACTUALLY, A LAW THAT IS PROVIDED IN S.B. 54 AT THE STATE
14 LEVEL, AND WHICH WAS ENACTED AND SIGNED INTO LAW BY GOVERNOR
15 BROWN ON OCTOBER 5TH OF 2017. SO THIS MORATORIUM COULD HAVE
16 BEEN ENACTED ON THAT DAY, OR ANY DAY AFTER THAT. SO, THREE
17 YEARS LATE, BUT NONETHELESS, IT IS MOST APPRECIATED. HOWEVER,
18 IT NEEDS TO BE AMENDED, BECAUSE WHAT'S MISSING OUT OF THIS
19 IS... AND ALSO A WITHDRAWAL OF THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO THE
20 SHERIFFS, STARTING FROM SHERIFF LEE BACA BACK IN 1999, AND A
21 PREVIOUS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHICH GAVE THE SHERIFF THE
22 AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT GRANT MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN
23 EXCHANGE FOR AN UNDOCUMENTED INMATE DATABASE. THIS IS
24 [INAUDIBLE] FUNDS A STATE CRIMINAL ALIEN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM,
25 AND THAT MONEY TOTALED \$122 MILLION SINCE 2005, UNTIL 2018,



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 WHEN I TOOK OFFICE AND I ENDED THE PROGRAM. ALSO, YOU INCLUDED
2 \$13.7 MILLION ALONE FROM MY PREDECESSOR'S TIME IN OFFICE. AND
3 I NOTICE HERE IN THE LANGUAGE THAT THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO
4 PROTECT IMMIGRANTS, THEIR FAMILIES, AND COWORKERS FROM
5 IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OVERREACH IS A VERY LAUDABLE GOAL.
6 HOWEVER, WE CANNOT ACHIEVE THAT GOAL WHILE WE ARE SELLING OUT
7 THE DATABASE OF UNDOCUMENTED INMATES FROM THE COUNTY JAIL. SO
8 WE NEED TO WITHDRAW THAT DELEGATED AUTHORITY, AND REJECT
9 [INAUDIBLE] FUNDS FROM THIS POINT INTO THE FUTURE,
10 INDEFINITELY. SO THAT WILL STRENGTHEN THIS MOTION, ITEM NUMBER
11 12. AND YOU ALSO NEED TO LEAVE A SPOT FOR COOPERATION WITH
12 I.C.E. WHEN IT COMES TO "U" VISAS, BECAUSE A "U" VISA ALLOWS
13 PEOPLE WHO ARE VICTIMS OR WITNESSES OF VIOLENT CRIMES TO BE
14 ABLE TO ASSIST I.C.E., IN TERMS OF GETTING THESE NEW VISA
15 WAIVERS. AND SO THAT'S PART OF THE COOPERATION THAT DOES NEED
16 TO GO FORWARD. SO LET ME SET THAT ONE ASIDE. NOW, THE OTHER
17 ONE I WANT TO ADDRESS, THIS ITEM 68-I, WHICH IS REGARDING THE
18 LOVELL INVESTIGATION. THE MOTION PROPOSED BY SUPERVISOR MARK
19 RIDLEY-THOMAS IS POORLY WRITTEN, RIDDLED WITH INACCURACIES,
20 AND CONTRADICTORY TO THE LAW, AS WELL AS THE BEST PRACTICES
21 EMPLOYED IN DEATH INVESTIGATIONS. IN THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF
22 THE MOTION, THE IDENTIFIED DEPUTY SHERIFF INVOLVED IS MALIGNED
23 IN THE MOTION, PORTRAYED IN A VERY NEGATIVE LIGHT, AND
24 POTENTIALLY SLANDERED TO THE POINT OF INCURRING CIVIL
25 LIABILITY ON THE PART OF THE AUTHOR, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE MOTION CALLS FOR THE MEDICAL EXAMINER OR THE CORONER TO
2 CONDUCT AN INQUEST INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCE OF THE DEATH,
3 PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CODE. HOWEVER, THE INQUEST SHOULD NOT
4 BE CONDUCTED BY THE C.M.E. WHEN REQUESTED BY THE SHERIFF,
5 ATTORNEY GENERAL, CHIEF OF POLICE HAVING JURISDICTION, OR THE
6 DISTRICT ATTORNEY OR CITY ATTORNEY IN THE COUNTY HAVING
7 JURISDICTION. IT DOES NOT IN ANY MANNER PROVIDE FOR THE COUNTY
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OR ANY OTHER FORMALLY ELECTED POLITICAL
9 ENTITY TO REQUEST SUCH AN INQUEST, NOR ALLOW SUCH ENTITY OR
10 PARTY TO DEMAND AN EXPLANATION FROM THE CORONER. THAT IS VERY
11 IMPORTANT TO KNOW. IT NEEDS TO BE WRITTEN IF YOU WANT TO
12 ACHIEVE A TRANSPARENCY. HOWEVER, TRANSPARENCY CANNOT COME AT
13 THE EXPENSE OF INTEGRITY IN ANY CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION. THE
14 ASSERTION THAT THE L.A. [INAUDIBLE] HOLDS AUTOPSY REPORTS OF
15 THOSE KILLED DURING DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS WITHOUT CAUSE IS
16 FACTUALLY INACCURATE. THEY HAVE ZERO AUTOPSY REPORTS RESULTING
17 FROM DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS THAT HAVE [INAUDIBLE] IN PLACE.
18 IT IS A TOOL MADE AVAILABLE FOR INVESTIGATORS SO THAT THE
19 INFORMATION IS NOT RELEASED PREMATURELY, POTENTIALLY
20 COMPROMISING THE INTEGRITY OF THE CASE, SUCH AS WHAT HAPPENED
21 WITH THE RELEASE OF THE CORONER'S REPORT IN THE GUARDADO CASE.
22 [INAUDIBLE] SINCE THE GUARDADO CASE, THEY HAVE HANDLED 48
23 HOMICIDES WITHIN OUR JURISDICTION; IN ADDITION, 9 FOR OUTSIDE
24 AGENCIES. ALSO, OUR CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION BUREAU HAS HAD A
25 TOTAL OF 59 CASES [INAUDIBLE], RESULTING IN 14 FILINGS WITH



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. IN ADDITION, I HAVE OTHER
2 CASES THAT ARE CURRENTLY OPEN. SO WE DO HOLD OUR EMPLOYEES
3 ACCOUNTABLE, SO ANY SUGGESTION OR INFERENCE THAT WE CANNOT
4 HOLD OURSELVES ACCOUNTABLE TO THE LAW IS FACTUALLY FALSE.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SHERIFF. IF YOU CAN SUMMARIZE?

7

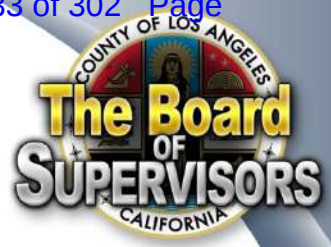
8 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YEAH. [INAUDIBLE] AS A SUBJECT MATTER
9 EXPERT AND AS A COUNTY PARTNER, WE ARE WILLING TO SHARE OUR
10 PLAN WITH THE CORONER'S INQUEST BECAUSE IT IS A VALUABLE TOOL
11 WHEN USED APPROPRIATELY, AND WILL PROVIDE A DETAILED SUPPORT
12 TO LAW ENFORCEMENT'S PROPER IMPLEMENTATION OF A CORONER'S
13 INQUEST. [INAUDIBLE] FOR THE BEST FINAL PRODUCT. THEREFORE, I
14 AM SUBMITTING THAT THIS MOTION NEEDS TO BE REWRITTEN OR
15 DELAYED. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ALL RIGHT,
18 COLLEAGUES, AT THIS TIME, WE WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION,
19 AND WHEN WE RETURN, WE WILL TAKE UP THE ITEMS HELD BY THE
20 SUPERVISORS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ US INTO
21 CLOSED SESSION.

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
24 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
25 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, CONFERENCE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH I.S.D. OVER THE LAST
2 SEVERAL MONTHS, AND ON AUGUST 11TH WE OFFICIALLY SIGNED A
3 CONTRACT WITH AXON ENTERPRISE. THE TRANSFER OF THESE FUNDS
4 ACCOUNTS FOR THE FIRST YEAR'S EXPENSES, WHICH INCLUDES COSTS
5 FOR TECHNOLOGY AND FOR RUNNING THE SYSTEM'S BACK END. THE
6 SHERIFF HAS SAID THAT HE INTENDS TO BEGIN ROLLING OUT BODY-
7 WORN CAMERAS OCTOBER 1ST, AND I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT LANCASTER
8 WILL BE AMONG THE FIRST FIVE STATIONS TO BE OUTFITTED. BUT WE
9 NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS PROVIDED THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE
10 DEPARTMENT. THIS IS A BIG STEP IN THE DIRECTION OF ENSURING
11 THE ACCOUNTABILITY TO OUR COMMUNITIES, AND QUITE FRANKLY, IT'S
12 WHAT THEY DESERVE. IT'S CERTAINLY BEEN LONG AWAITED, AND WE
13 CANNOT AFFORD TO DELAY ANY LONGER. AND I JUST WANT TO ECHO
14 YOUR COMMENTS, SUPERVISOR HAHN, REGARDING THE TRAGEDIES THAT
15 ARE TAKING PLACE. THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT THESE CAMERAS ARE
16 NOT GOING TO SOLVE THAT, BUT WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER, AND
17 ACCOUNTABILITY GOES BOTH WAYS, NOT ONLY IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR,
18 BUT ALSO WITH SWORN. AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT, WORKING TOGETHER
19 AS A BOARD, WE WILL PROVIDE THAT TRANSPARENCY AND
20 ACCOUNTABILITY THAT OUR CONSTITUENTS EXPECT AND, QUITE
21 FRANKLY, DESERVE. SO WITH THAT, I'M HONORED TO BE A CO-AUTHOR
22 ON THIS MOTION. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I WANT TO THANK
25 YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND YOURSELF FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 INFORMATION ABOUT I.C.E. UNDER-REPORTING THE IMPACT OF
2 C.O.V.I.D.-19 IN THEIR FACILITIES AND ON THE DETAINEES. IN
3 RESPONSE TO LAWSUITS, DEPLORABLE CONDITIONS IN DETENTION
4 FACILITIES LIKE ADELANTO AND OTAY MESA, THE CURRENT SHERIFF IN
5 APRIL 2020 ISSUED A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON I.C.E. TRANSFERS
6 THAT WAS EXTENDED ON A MONTHLY BASIS. IN AUGUST, THE SHERIFF
7 MADE THE MORATORIUM PERMANENT, BUT ONLY UNDER HIS
8 ADMINISTRATION. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS POLICY IS NOT BINDING ON
9 FUTURE SHERIFFS. TO FURTHER THE COUNTY'S CONTINUED RESPONSE TO
10 THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY BEFORE US, AND TO SAFEGUARD THE
11 HEALTH AND SAFETY AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, THE BOARD THROUGH
12 THIS MOTION CAN PRESERVE THE MORATORIUM THAT THE SHERIFF
13 INSTITUTED ON TRANSFERS TO I.C.E., ABSENT A JUDICIAL WARRANT,
14 INTO COUNTY POLICY. AND I'VE ASKED, MADAM CHAIR, IF WE COULD
15 HEAR FROM THE VICE CHAIR OF THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION,
16 TO SPEAK ON THE IMPACT OF THIS MOTION IN L.A. COUNTY, AND THAT
17 IS HERNAN VERA. IF HE IS PERMITTED TO SPEAK, MADAM CHAIR, I
18 WOULD ASK THAT HE BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK AT THIS TIME.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SURE. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, DO YOU WANT TO
21 WAIT AND HEAR HIM SPEAK, OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW
22 COMMENTS BEFORE HE SPEAKS?

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THINK I'LL MAKE MY CO-AUTHOR COMMENTS NOW, IF
25 THAT'S ALL RIGHT.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. SOLIS:** SURE.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** JUST VERY BRIEFLY, TO BACK UP, THANK YOU SO MUCH,

5 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. THIS IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT, AND I THINK

6 WE'VE ALL THANKED THE SHERIFF FOR THE MORATORIUM, AND REALLY

7 JUST WANT TO SOLIDIFY THAT DECISION AND CARRY IT FORWARD AS

8 THE ABSOLUTE POLICY OF THE BOARD. THERE'S SEVERAL REASONS WHY

9 THIS MOTION MAKES A GOOD DEAL OF SENSE. FIRST OF ALL, I THINK

10 EVERYBODY KNOWS WARRANTS ARE JUST MORE RELIABLE. THEY'RE

11 REVIEWED BY THE JUDICIARY, THEY'RE SIGNED BY JUDGES, THEY

12 REQUIRE A HIGHER BURDEN OF PROOF THAN DETAINERS, WHICH REALLY

13 MAKES THEM MORE RELIABLE THAN DETAINERS, WHICH ARE NOT ALWAYS

14 ACCURATE. YOU PROBABLY REMEMBER THE A.C.L.U. SUED I.C.E. OVER

15 THE RELIABILITY OF DETAINERS, AND IT WAS SUCCESSFUL. AND WE

16 WANT TO GO ALONG WITH THAT KIND OF PROTECTION. SECONDLY, IT'S

17 MORE TRANSPARENT. IF I.C.E. CHOOSES TO PICK UP SOMEBODY WHO'S

18 BEING RELEASED FROM THE JAILS WITHOUT A WARRANT, THEY'RE

19 REQUIRED TO DO IT IN PUBLIC, WHERE IT WOULD BE MONITORED AND

20 REFUSED. THIRDLY, AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS INDICATED, THE TERRIBLE

21 CONDITIONS IN ADELANTO. I MEAN, THEY'RE EVEN WORSE THAN THEY

22 WERE DURING THIS PANDEMIC, AND, YOU KNOW, INCLUDING SPRAYING

23 DISINFECTING GAS IN THE FACILITY. THAT'S COMPLETELY DISRUPTING

24 EVERYBODY'S NERVOUS SYSTEM, AND CAUSING BLOODY NOSES, ET

25 CETERA. AND SO WE WANT FEWER PEOPLE, OBVIOUSLY, TO BE GOING



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WAS THINKING WHILE

3 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WAS SPEAKING ABOUT BOB DYLAN'S LINE,

4 "HOW MANY DEATHS WILL IT TAKE TILL WE SAY THAT TOO MANY PEOPLE

5 HAVE DIED?" AND I THINK WE ARE FINALLY, AS A SOCIETY, GETTING

6 TO THE PLACE WHERE WE SAY, TOO MANY PEOPLE HAVE DIED. AND NOW

7 WE HAVE TO HAVE A REAL, TRANSPARENT, AVAILABLE WAY TO

8 UNDERSTAND HOW THEY DIED, AND WHETHER THE STORIES THAT WERE

9 TOLD ABOUT HOW THEY HAD TO DIE, OR THERE WAS NO OTHER CHOICE,

10 OR ANY OF THE EXCUSES THAT ARE GIVEN ARE TRUE, AND THEY'RE

11 MADE TRUE BY INVESTIGATION OF SOMEONE WHO'S NOT THE PEOPLE

12 THAT DID THE SHOOTING. SO BOTH OF THESE MOTIONS, THE ONES THAT

13 WE JUST PASSED AND THIS ONE, RAISE THE IMPORTANCE THAT

14 TRANSPARENCY PLAYS IN THE COMMUNITY'S TRUST, AND FRANKLY

15 RAISES THE ISSUE OF HOW OPPOSITE STONEWALLING IS BY ANY ARM OF

16 GOVERNMENT, ESPECIALLY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT RUN

17 AROUND SAYING THAT THEY'RE PROTECTING AND SERVING US. AND

18 UNFORTUNATELY, WHAT MAKES THESE MOTIONS NECESSARY IS THE

19 REPEATED EFFORTS BY THE CURRENT SHERIFF TO FIGHT TRANSPARENCY

20 AT EVERY TURN. I DON'T BELIEVE I'VE EVER HEARD THE INSPECTOR

21 GENERAL SO CALM, BECAUSE HE'S NOT USUALLY CALM. HE'S USUALLY

22 TEARING OUT HIS HAIR, AND SAYING, "AGAIN I'VE BEEN

23 STONEWALLED, AGAIN I'VE BEEN TOLD NO," AND HE KNOWS VERY WELL

24 THE BOARD CREATED HIS OFFICE TO PROVIDE FOR INDEPENDENT

25 OVERSIGHT AND MONITORING. AND THE SHERIFF REMOVED HIS DIRECT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ACCESS, AS HE SAID, TO DEPARTMENTAL RECORDS, AND CONSISTENTLY
2 MAKES MATTERS WORSE BY REFUSING TO PROVIDE THE INSPECTOR
3 GENERAL WITH RECORDS. AND, OF COURSE, AS WE'VE NOW SEEN, THE
4 SHERIFF IS WITHDRAWING PARTICIPATION IN ANY OF THE CRIMINAL
5 JUSTICE REFORM COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS THAT WE HAVE; AT
6 LEAST, THREATENING TO. AS YOU KNOW, WE CREATED THE CIVILIAN
7 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. WE VESTED THAT BODY WITH SUBPOENA POWER,
8 A MOVE THAT WAS OVERWHELMINGLY APPROVED BY 72 PERCENT OF THE
9 VOTERS IN THE COUNTY. AND IT WAS DONE BECAUSE THE VOLUNTARY
10 INFORMATION SHARING, WHICH WE HAD BEEN ENJOYING, CAME TO A
11 SCREECHING HALT, AND THE C.O.C. COULD NOT EFFECTIVELY CONDUCT
12 THEIR OVERSIGHT BECAUSE OF ALL THE OBSTRUCTION. AND, AGAIN,
13 THE SHERIFF REFUSED TO COMPLY, EVEN WHEN HE WAS SERVED WITH A
14 SUBPOENA DIRECTING HIM TO GIVE TESTIMONY BEFORE THE BODY. SO
15 EVERY ACTION THE BOARD TAKES TO PROVIDE OVERSIGHT MONITORING
16 AND TRANSPARENCY HAS BEEN UNDERCUT BY THIS SHERIFF. SO WE SAY,
17 WELL, WE'RE JUST GOING TO KEEP ON PERSISTING. WE ARE GOING TO
18 EMPLOY EVERY METHOD POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT ACCOUNTABILITY AND
19 TRANSPARENCY PREVAIL OVER SECRECY, BECAUSE THIS IS LITERALLY A
20 LIFE AND DEATH MATTER. SO TODAY I STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS
21 MOTION, AS WELL AS THE ONE JUST PASSED, AND I APPLAUD EFFORTS
22 BY THE CORONER, BY OUR INSPECTOR GENERAL, BY THE CIVILIAN
23 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, TO PROMOTE TRANSPARENCY WHEN POSSIBLE,
24 AND HOLDING THOSE WHO ARE FIGHTING IT ACCOUNTABLE. THANK YOU,



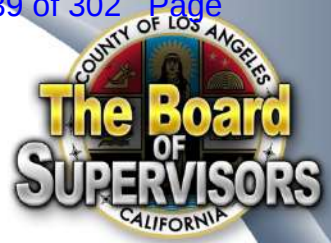
THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

2

3 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO THANK, ALSO,
4 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION BEFORE US
5 TODAY. THE DEATH OF A CHILD IS ONE OF THE WORST THINGS THAT
6 CAN HAPPEN TO A PARENT, AND WHEN THEIR DEATH IS AT THE HANDS
7 OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE
8 CHILD'S DEATH IS CONCEALED IN PRIVACY AND SECRECY, I CAN ONLY
9 IMAGINE THE TRAUMA FELT AND THE HURT PLACED ON THE FAMILY'S
10 INABILITY TO HEAL OR FEEL PEACE. AND I WANT TO EXTEND AGAIN MY
11 SINCERE SYMPATHIES TO THE ANDRES GUARDADO FAMILY, HIS PARENTS,
12 AND ESPECIALLY HIS FATHER, CRISTOBAL, WHO HAS BEEN EXTREMELY
13 VOCAL IN THEIR PURSUIT OF THE TRUTH ABOUT THEIR SON'S DEATH.
14 AND I LEND MY VOICE IN SUPPORT OF THE GUARDADO FAMILY AND
15 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION IN HAVING THE CHIEF MEDICAL
16 EXAMINER CONDUCT AN IMMEDIATE INQUEST INTO ANDRES'S DEATH. THE
17 BOARD HAS LONG KNOWN THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT IS NOT ABLE TO
18 INVESTIGATE ITS OWN MISCONDUCT, THUS CREATING THE OFFICE OF
19 INSPECTOR GENERAL AND A CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION TO
20 CONDUCT THEIR OWN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION. THE SAME CAN BE
21 SAID WITH THE SHERIFF'S PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A BODY MADE UP
22 OF LAW ENFORCEMENT REPRESENTATIVES IN THIS COUNTY TO
23 INVESTIGATE EACH OTHER'S POLICE SHOOTING CASES. THOUGH THIS
24 WAS AN ATTEMPT TO SHOW THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT HAS NOTHING TO
25 HIDE, THERE IS NO ABILITY TO GUARANTEE THAT SOME SEMBLANCE OF

September 14, 2020

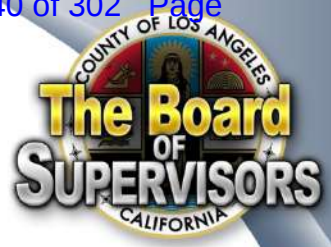


THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY WHEN THESE INVESTIGATIONS TAKE
2 PLACE BEHIND THE BLUE CURTAIN WITH MEMBERS OF THE BLUE
3 BROTHERHOOD. THE ONLY WAY THAT I WOULD FEEL LIKE THIS WOULD
4 TRULY BE A TRANSPARENT BODY IS TO HAVE A CIVILIAN PUBLIC
5 OFFICIAL PROVIDE OVERSIGHT, TO HAVE A SEAT AT THAT TABLE, TO
6 ENSURE THAT THIS UNIT DOES NOT BECOME ANOTHER PLACE FOR
7 INFORMATION TO BE HIDDEN AWAY FROM THE PUBLIC. I'M SO
8 DISAPPOINTED THAT A SHERIFF WHO TOUTS TRANSPARENCY CAN BE SO
9 AGGRESSIVELY UNCOOPERATIVE WITH THE OFFICE OF OUR INSPECTOR
10 GENERAL TO HINDER THEIR PURSUIT OF THE TRUTH. THE DEPARTMENT
11 WENT AS FAR AS LOCKING OUT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL AND HIS
12 TEAM'S ACCESS TO THE DEPARTMENT'S COMPUTER AND DATABASES; THAT
13 SOMEHOW ALLOWING THE I.G. AND HIS TEAM TO DO A WALK-THROUGH IS
14 ENOUGH IN THE NAME OF TRANSPARENCY, BUT REFUSES TO PROVIDE THE
15 ESSENTIAL DOCUMENTS AND DATA AND THE REPORTS. THAT'S NOT
16 TRANSPARENCY. AND I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT TAKING ACTION,
17 INCLUDING ANY LEGAL, IF FEASIBLE AND APPROPRIATE, AGAINST THE
18 DEPARTMENT FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THE LAW. THANK YOU, MADAM
19 CHAIR.

20
21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I JUST HAVE TO SAY I AM
22 SADDENED THAT THIS MOTION HAD TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE US TODAY.
23 THE GUARDADO FAMILY DESERVES ANSWERS, AND THE COMMUNITY AS A
24 WHOLE IS DESERVING OF TRANSPARENCY. THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS
25 SHOWN A SIGNIFICANT LACK OF INTEREST IN THOSE REGARDS, WITH



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SEVERAL REQUESTS FROM OUR INSPECTOR GENERAL GOING UNFULFILLED.
2 WE ALL NEED TO BE WORKING TOWARD INCREASING COMMUNITY TRUST,
3 AND THE APPARENT RESISTANCE TO OVERSIGHT IS ERODING YEARS OF
4 WORK BY THIS BOARD AND OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS. AND IT IS
5 A DISSERVICE TO THE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
6 BECAUSE HE'S UNDERMINING THE GOOD WORK THAT MANY OF THEM ARE
7 DOING. IT'S AN ODD POSITION TO HAVE TO REMIND THIS SHERIFF
8 THAT, EVEN AS THE CHIEF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF L.A.
9 COUNTY, HE IS NOT ABOVE THE LAW. NO MATTER WHAT YOUR
10 INTERPRETATION IS OF CASE LAW, COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE STATE'S
11 JUDICIAL COUNSEL HAVE BEEN THOROUGH IN CRAFTING LANGUAGE FOR
12 POLICY SURROUNDING OVERSIGHT AND INFORMATION SHARING. DESPITE
13 EVERY EFFORT FROM THE SHERIFF TO COUNTER IT, ALLOWING THE
14 INSPECTOR GENERAL TO OVERSEE THE INVESTIGATION IS LAWFUL, AND
15 CANNOT BE REFUTED. THE SHARING OF INFORMATION WITH THE
16 INSPECTOR GENERAL IS REQUIRED UNDER THE COUNTY CODE. LET ME
17 REMIND YOU, THERE IS NO GRAY AREA. THIS CHARADE HAS GONE ON
18 LONG ENOUGH. IT IS VERY UNFORTUNATE THAT WE FIND OURSELVES,
19 YET AGAIN, HAVING TO ENGAGE THE COURTS IN ORDER TO HAVE THE
20 SHERIFF COMPLY WITH THE LAW. THIS IS SOMETHING I HAVE NOT SEEN
21 IN MY 30 YEARS WITH THE COUNTY, AND CERTAINLY NOT A PRECEDENT
22 THAT I WANT TO SET. FRANKLY, IT'S EMBARRASSING, AND I HOPE WE
23 CAN IMPROVE, MOVING FORWARD. SO I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS
24 MOTION, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND, AGAIN, IT'S TRULY
25 UNFORTUNATE WE FIND OURSELVES IN A POSITION TO HAVE TO EVEN

EXHIBIT 51



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020 ON 223]**

SUP. SOLIS: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE I WANT TO WELCOME YOU TO
THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS, AS YOU KNOW, IS TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2020. THIS IS IS SUPERVISORS SOLIS. SUPERVISOR
BARGER IS GOING TO JOIN LATER. I ALSO WANT TO TAKE THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH.
TOADY IS THE BEGINNING OF THAT CELEBRATION FOR A MONTH. OUR
MEETING TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY DUE TO THE CURRENT PUBLIC
HEALTH CRISIS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL NOW TAKE
ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. SO PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND
RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: HERE, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. SOLIS: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

SUP. KUEHL: HERE, MADAM CHAIR

SUP. SOLIS: SUPERVISORS HAHN?

SUP. HAHN: HERE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU. FESIA DAVENPORT, ACTING CHIEF
3 EXECUTIVE OFFICER? FESIA DAVENPORT? MARY WICKHAM? MARY
4 WICKHAM?

5

6 **ATTORNEY:** HERE.

7

8 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I'M SORRY SUPERVISOR, WE WERE MUTED. FESIA
9 DAVENPORT IS HERE.

10

11 **ATTORNEY:** AND MARY WICKHAM IS HERE.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, GREAT. YES, AND CELIA ZAVALA?

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PRESENT.

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS:** GREAT. AS INDICATED IN THE POSTED AGENDA, WE'LL BE
18 TALKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS DURING TODAY'S MEETING. THE
19 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD HAS RECEIVED OVER 5,800 WRITTEN
20 PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING. AND AS THOSE WRITTEN
21 COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE
22 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION CONSISTENT TO BROWN ACT
23 REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC
24 COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. DUE TO THE NUMBER OF WRITTEN
25 PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED, WE WILL NOT BE READING IN THE NAMES.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 HOWEVER, THESE COMMENTS WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL
2 RECORD. I'D LIKE TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO AN URGENCY MOTION,
3 MOTION, 71-A. BEFORE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER CALLS THE AGENDA, I
4 HAVE A JOINT MOTION WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER THAT RECOMMENDS
5 THAT THE BOARD MAKE A FINDING, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE
6 SECTION 54954.2B2, THAT THERE'S A NEED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE
7 ACTION TO RATIFY THE PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY MADE ON
8 SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2020 FOR THE BOBCAT FIRE AND THAT THE NEED FOR
9 ACTION CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE BOARD SUBSEQUENT TO THE
10 POSTING OF THE AGENDA AND PLACED THE ITEM ON THE AGENDA. MADAM
11 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL TO VOTE ON THE URGENCY
12 TO PLACE THE ITEM ON THE AGENDA AND ALSO PLEASE NOTE THAT
13 SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE HELD FOR CONSIDERATION
14 LATER IN THE MEETING UPON HER RETURN. EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

15

16 **FESIA DAVENPORT, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. SUPERVISOR
17 RIDLEY-THOMAS?

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

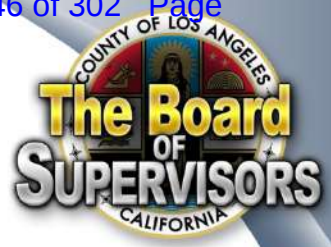
20

21 **FESIA DAVENPORT, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE.
22 SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

2

3 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES

10 4-0.

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** 4-0. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MEMBERS. NOW, MADAM

13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CAN YOU PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
16 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, SET MATTER AT
17 10:30 A.M. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ITEM S1 IS A
18 DISCUSSION ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO COVID-19 AS
19 REQUESTED BY THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD. ON PAGE 3, SPECIAL
20 DISTRICT AGENDA, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE SANITATION
21 DISTRICT 27 AND THE NEWHALL RANCH SANITATION DISTRICT. ON PAGE
22 4, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT
23 AUTHORITY. ON ITEM 3D, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
24 BE HELD. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 17. ON ITEM 4D, SUPERVISOR
25 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM RELATES TO



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THAT CONCLUDES THE
2 ONE HOUR OF PUBLIC COMMENT TESTIMONY.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS
5 HAS ENDED. I WANT TO THANK ALL THAT CALLED IN TO SPEAK. IF YOU
6 WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS, YOU MAY SUBMIT WRITTEN
7 COMMENTS AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO
8 ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING,
9 WHICH WILL THEN BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON
10 TO HEAR FROM SHERIFF ALEX VILLANUEVA, WHO HAS REQUESTED TO
11 ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEM NUMBER 18. SHERIFF, YOU WILL HAVE
12 THREE MINUTES TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM. WELCOME.

13

14 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. FIRST,
15 I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN AND YOURSELF, SUPERVISOR
16 BARGER, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND FOR ORGANIZING THE \$100,000
17 REWARD THAT LEADS TO THE ARREST OF THE SUSPECT IN THAT
18 COWARDLY ATTACK ON THE DEPUTIES. THAT IS MUCH APPRECIATED.
19 THAT HAS NOW BEEN MATCHED AND EXCEEDED BY PRIVATE DONORS AS
20 WELL. SO, WE'RE OFF TO A GOOD START THERE. REGARDING ITEM
21 NUMBER 18, THE JAIL COUNT TODAY STANDS AT 13,807 OF WHICH
22 2,000 ARE ROUGHLY INMATES WHO NEED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO STATE
23 PRISON OR TO MENTAL INSTITUTIONS. HOWEVER, NONE OF THEM ARE
24 TAKING INMATES. SO OUR POPULATION IS GROWING AS A RESULT OF
25 THAT. HOWEVER, THE COURTS ARE NOT OPERATING AT FULL CAPACITY.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SO EVEN IF WE TRANSFER THE 2,000 OUT, WE ARE STILL GOING TO
2 BE FACED WITH AN INCREASING JAIL POPULATION BECAUSE IT IS
3 ARTIFICIALLY LOW AT THIS POINT. MY CONCERN ABOUT THIS JAIL
4 POPULATION REVIEW COUNCIL, FOR ONE, IS THAT THE AUTHORITY TO
5 MANAGE THE JAILS EXCLUSIVELY RESIDES IN MY OFFICE. AND I
6 CANNOT EMPHASIZE THAT ENOUGH. AND I TOOK THE INITIATIVE, IN
7 FEBRUARY, TO START REDUCING THE JAIL POPULATION IN RESPONSE TO
8 THE COVID PANDEMIC. HOWEVER, I CAN ONLY IMPACT A SMALL SLICE
9 OF THE JAIL POPULATION, AND WE GOT RID OF THAT SMALL SLICE. SO
10 WHAT IS LEFT IN THE JAIL POPULATION IS MOSTLY FELONS, AND
11 PRETRIAL DETAINEES, AND VERY SERIOUS CRIMES. IF YOU LOOK AT
12 RIGHT NOW JUST FOR 2020, WE HAVE REPORTED 8,974 VIOLENT
13 CRIMES, 119 HOMICIDES, 2,500 ROBBERIES, 1,500 AGGREGATED
14 ASSAULTS, 6,000 BURGLARIES. THIS IS NOT ANY -- AND I'M
15 HEARING EVERYBODY TALKING ABOUT DECARCERATION AND THE HARM IN
16 THIS CARE FIRST/JAIL LAST MODEL. IT COULD ALSO BE CALLED
17 OFFENDER FIRST/VICTIM LAST MODEL. THERE IS NOTHING RACIST
18 ABOUT THE FACT THAT PEOPLE ARE IN JAIL BECAUSE OF THE CRIME
19 THEY COMMIT. THAT IS A FUNCTION OF A PERSONAL DECISIONS THAT
20 PEOPLE MAKE TO COMMIT THE CRIMES. WE ARE ONLY -- THE PEOPLE
21 THAT ARE LEFT WITH THE LEGAL OBLIGATION TO HOLD PEOPLE IN
22 CUSTODY WHILE THEIR CASES ARE BEING TRIED IN COURT, OR IF IT'S
23 AN A.B.109, A SENTENCE. IN FACT, MISDEMEANOR SENTENCES IN
24 THE COUNTY JAIL ARE ALMOST NON-EXISTENT AT THIS POINT. SO, ALL
25 THAT IS LEFT ARE FELONIES, AND THESE ARE FELONIES BECAUSE THEY

September 15, 2020



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 HARMED THE COMMUNITY. I HEARD A LOT ABOUT HARM FOR THE FOLKS
2 THAT ARE ENGAGED IN CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, BUT I HAVE YET TO HEAR
3 SOMEONE APOLOGIZE FOR THE HARM THAT IS CAUSED TO VICTIMS OF
4 CRIME. THAT NEEDS TO BE THE TOP PRIORITY FOR THE COUNTY, AND
5 IT IS FOR THE COMMUNITY, THE HARM THAT IS CAUSED TO VICTIMS OF
6 CRIME. AND THIS POPULATION REVIEW COUNCIL, IT LOOKS NOTHING
7 MORE THAN A VEILED ATTEMPT TO USURP THE AUTHORITY OF THE
8 SHERIFF AND TO DO MY JOB. THE REASON WE WERE ABLE TO
9 DEPOPULATE BY 5,000 INMATES IS BECAUSE I WAS DOING MY JOB. I
10 WORKED WITH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PARTNERS. THAT'S THE
11 DISTRICT ATTORNEY. THAT'S THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, ALTERNATIVE
12 PUBLIC DEFENDER, THE PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURTS,
13 KENNETH BRAZIL, SAM ODA, THE CRIMINAL COURT DIVISION. WE WORK
14 TOGETHER, AND WE WORKED VERY, VERY WELL TOGETHER. AND
15 RECOGNIZE THAT YOU CANNOT FORM A COUNCIL OF ALL OF THESE
16 PEOPLE, WELL-INTENDED AS IT MAY BE, AND SOMEHOW THAT IS GOING
17 TO DICTATE OR MANAGE THE POPULATION OF THE JAIL. IT IS A
18 FUNCTION OF THE CRIME THAT HAPPENS ON THE STREET.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, CAN YOU WRAP UP,
21 PLEASE.

22

23 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YEAH, SO IN OTHER WORDS, LET'S FOCUS ON
24 HAVING PEOPLE COMMIT LESS CRIME, AND WE ARE GOING TO BE ABLE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 TO REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION, AND I WILL LEAVE IT AT THAT. SO

2 THANK YOU AGAIN.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, AND WE JUST

5 WANT TO SAY THAT OUR THOUGHTS ARE PRAYERS ARE WITH THE TWO

6 DEPUTIES AND THE ENTIRE COUNTY FAMILY, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN THE

7 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, REGARDING THIS VERY DIFFICULT TIME WITH

8 YOUR TWO DEPUTIES STILL HOSPITALIZED. SO THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS,

9 AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

10

11 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, WE ARE GOING TO --

14 TODAY, WE ARE GOING TO BEGIN WITH THE SET ITEM, S1, AND THEN

15 ITEMS 3D AND 17, WHICH ARE RELATED TO ITEM 4D AND 28, ALSO

16 RELATED, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 6 AND 12, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP

17 TOGETHER, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS, 18, 19, 22, 23, 70C AND THEN

18 FINISHING WITH ITEM 70G. BUT, PRIOR TO DOING THAT, MADAM

19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON

20 WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING TODAY.

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THE FOLLOWING

23 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU, SD1, 1D, 2D, 5D-8D, 1-5, 7-11, 13, 14,

24 15, SUPERVISOR BARGER VOTES NO, 16, 20, 21, 24-27, 29-69, 70A,

25 70B, AS REVISED, 70D-70F, 70H, 73-77 ARE BEFORE YOU.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. HAHN:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. YOU KNOW, L.A. COUNTY

3 IS FACING SO MANY CHALLENGES RIGHT NOW. AND WHILE THESE

4 CHALLENGES HAVE BEEN DEVASTATING ON SO MANY LEVELS, THEY HAVE

5 ALSO BROUGHT PEOPLE AND ENTITIES TOGETHER TO COLLABORATE IN

6 NEW WAYS. FOR EXAMPLE, ALMOST IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE PANDEMIC

7 BEGAN, INFORMAL COLLABORATION BEGAN AMONG OUR JUSTICE PARTNERS

8 THAT BROUGHT ALL HANDS ON DECK TOWARDS THE COMMON GOAL OF

9 DECREASING THE DAILY JAIL POPULATION, AND WITHIN JUST A FEW

10 WEEKS, THEY ACCOMPLISHED WHAT WE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN TOLD

11 COULD NOT BE DONE. WITH THE SHERIFF'S HELP, WE BROUGHT OUR

12 AVERAGE DAILY JAIL POPULATION DOWN FROM MORE THAN 17,000 TO

13 LESS THAN 12,000. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN DECADES, OUR JAIL

14 POPULATION IN L.A. COUNTY WAS BENEATH OUR STATE'S RATED

15 MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF 12,404. THIS INCREDIBLE ACCOMPLISHMENT HAS

16 SHOWN US THAT, PRIOR TO THE PANDEMIC, THERE WERE THOUSANDS OF

17 PEOPLE IN OUR JAILS THAT DID NOT NEED TO BE THERE. AND NOW

18 THAT WE KNOW THIS, WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD

19 AND NOT BACKWARD. WE ABSOLUTELY CANNOT REVERT TO THE

20 OVERCROWDING THAT HAS PLAGUED OUR JAILS FOR TOO LONG. SO IN

21 JUNE, I AUTHORED THE MOTION WITH SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS

22 ASKING THE SAME JUSTICE PARTNERS TO FORM A WORKING GROUP TO

23 PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HOW TO MAINTAIN THE REDUCED

24 POPULATION EVEN AFTER THE THREAT OF THIS PANDEMIC SUBSIDES.

25 AND ONCE AGAIN, I AM IMPRESSED WITH THE COLLABORATION THAT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 FOLLOWED RESULTING IN A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT WITH DETAILED
2 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND NOW IT IS TIME TO IMPLEMENT THOSE
3 RECOMMENDATIONS. WE NEED TO CODIFY THE INFORMAL COLLABORATION
4 THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT ABOUT BY THIS PANDEMIC, SO WE CAN
5 MAINTAIN THE PROGRESS WE HAVE MADE. THAT IS WHY TODAY, WE ARE
6 VOTING TO ESTABLISH THE JAIL POPULATION REVIEW COUNCIL, AND
7 THE JAIL POPULATION REVIEW COUNCIL WILL BE LED BY OUR OFFICE
8 OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY, AND IT WILL CONSIST OF ALL OF OUR
9 JUSTICE DEPARTMENTS AND HEALTH PARTNERS, INCLUDING OUR
10 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER, OUR A.T.I.
11 INITIATIVE, OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND MANY MORE.
12 THIS COUNCIL WILL BE TASKED WITH KEEPING THE JAIL POPULATION
13 BELOW THE STATE'S RATED MAXIMUM CAPACITY, USING THE REPORT AS
14 GUIDELINES. BEFORE THE PANDEMIC, WE WERE STUCK IN A STATUS QUO
15 OF OVER INCARCERATION. THIS DEVASTATED COMMUNITIES, BROKE
16 APART FAMILIES, LED TO OVERCROWDED JAILS, ENDANGERED EVERYONE
17 INSIDE. AND THIS PANDEMIC HAS SHOWN US THAT IT DOESN'T NEED TO
18 BE THIS WAY. WE CAN REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION, AND WE CAN DO
19 IT SAFELY. THIS NEEDS TO BECOME THE NEW NORMAL, AND I HOPE
20 ALL MY COLLEAGUES WILL SUPPORT ME TODAY IN CREATING THE JAIL
21 POPULATION REVIEW COUNCIL. I WANT TO TAKE A FEW MOMENTS TO
22 ADDRESS THE COMMENTS THE SHERIFF MADE EARLIER, AND I DO WANT
23 TO CLARIFY THAT WE HAVE WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH THE SHERIFF'S
24 DEPARTMENT THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS. AND, IN FACT, THE WORKING
25 GROUP THAT DRAFTED THE REPORT THAT SUGGESTED THE ESTABLISHMENT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OF THIS COUNCIL WAS LED BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND O.D.R.
2 IN PARTNERSHIP TOGETHER. I KNOW THAT IT IS WITHIN THE
3 SHERIFF'S PURVIEW TO, YOU KNOW, OVERSEE AND MAINTAIN AND MAKE
4 DECISIONS ABOUT OUR JAIL POPULATION, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE
5 THAT OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS AT THE FOREFRONT OF THIS NEW
6 REVIEW COUNCIL. THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO CALLED IN TODAY TO
7 VOICE THEIR SUPPORT FOR THIS COUNCIL. I AM GOING TO READ IN AN
8 AMENDMENT THAT ADDRESSES ONE OF THE CONCERNS THAT SOME OF YOU
9 BROUGHT UP DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT. DIRECTIVE 5 WILL READ
10 THAT THE JAIL POPULATION REVIEW COUNCIL BE TASKED WITH
11 REFERRING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PRIORITIZED RECOMMENDATION
12 AFTER THE EVALUATION PROCESS DESCRIBED IN NUMBER 4, AS WELL AS
13 THE LEGISLATIVE REFORMS STRATEGIES AND FUNDING NEEDS AND
14 OPTIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE JAIL POPULATION REDUCTION REPORT,
15 INCLUDING -- HERE IS THE NEW PART -- INCLUDING REALLOCATING
16 ANY COST SAVINGS FROM REDUCTIONS IN THE JAIL POPULATION TO THE
17 A.T.I. INITIATIVE, O.D.R., OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ENTITIES. I
18 ASKED JUDGE ESPINOSA FROM THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY
19 TO TALK ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF NEW THIS NEW COUNCIL. JUDGE
20 ESPINOSA, ARE YOU HERE? AND IT IS UP TO MY COLLEAGUES IF THEY
21 WANT TO SPEAK FIRST, THAT'S OKAY, TOO, BUT I DO KNOW THE JUDGE
22 IS READY TO ADDRESS US. THANK YOU.

23
24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, WITH YOUR PERMISSION?



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND WITH THAT, IN CLOSING, I
2 WILL SAY, DURING THIS PANDEMIC WE SAW THAT WORKING TOGETHER,
3 AS IT RELATES TO BRINGING DOWN THE POPULATION OF THE JAIL, CAN
4 WORK. WHEN YOU HAVE ALL STAKEHOLDERS AT THE TABLE REVIEWING
5 AND ALLOWING THE COURTS TO MAKE THE FINAL DETERMINATION, IT
6 WORKED. THE SHERIFF WAS ALLOWED AN OPPORTUNITY TO FLAG THOSE
7 THAT HE FELT WERE NOT READY TO BE RELEASED OR COULD BE
8 RELEASED, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ALSO
9 REVIEWED AND RECOGNIZED THERE THOSE THAT COULD BE RELEASED AND
10 WERE NOT GOING TO BE AT RISK FOR PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS IN THE
11 COMMUNITY. SO IT CAN WORK. AND I AM HOPING THAT THIS IS A MORE
12 UNIFORMED APPROACH TO DOING IT, MOVING FORWARD, POST-COVID.
13 AND SO, WITH THAT, I CAN SUPPORT THIS MOTION. SO, WITH THAT,
14 WE WILL MOVE BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
15 RIDLEY-THOMAS TO APPROVE THIS MOTION. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
16 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 18 IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
23 THOMAS?

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 FOR MUTUAL AID ASSISTANCE. ON SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2020, PURSUANT
2 TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 8558 (B) AND 8630 IN LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY SECTION 2.6810, THE THE SHERIFF AND THE LOS ANGELES
4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAIMED THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL
5 EMERGENCY FOR THE BOBCAT FIRE, PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL
6 EMERGENCY. THE PROCLAMATION ENABLES THE COUNTY TO MORE
7 EFFECTIVELY RESPOND TO THE BOBCAT FIRE, ACCELERATE THE
8 PROCUREMENT OF VITAL SUPPLIES, SEEK AND UTILIZE MUTUAL AID,
9 AND POTENTIALLY OBTAIN REIMBURSEMENT AND ASSISTANCE FROM THE
10 STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE
11 SECTION 8630 (B) AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE SECTION 2.68.110,
12 THE LOCAL PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY SHALL NOT REMAIN IN EFFECT
13 FOR A PERIOD IN EXCESS OF SEVEN DAYS UNLESS IT HAS BEEN
14 RATIFIED BY THE BOARD. WE, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS, NUMBER ONE, RATIFY THE ATTACHED PROCLAMATION OF
16 LOCAL EMERGENCY MADE ON SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2020 FOR THE BOBCAT
17 FIRE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THIS PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL
18 EMERGENCY SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL ITS TERMINATION IS
19 PROCLAIMED BY THIS BOARD AND, NUMBER TWO, FORWARD A COPY OF
20 THE PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE
21 CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES WITH THE
22 REQUEST THAT THE DIRECTOR FIND IT ACCEPTABLE IN ACCORDANCE
23 WITH STATE LAW AND REQUESTS THAT A GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION BE
24 PROVIDED UNDER THE CALIFORNIA DISASTER ASSISTANCE ACT AND,
25 THREE, DIRECT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT ALL ASSESSMENT,

EXHIBIT 52



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020, ON PAGE 185]**

SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. WELCOME TO THE
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH, 2020. OUR MEETING
TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY DUE TO THE CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH
CRISIS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL NOW TAKE ROLL CALL
TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND RESPOND WHEN
YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

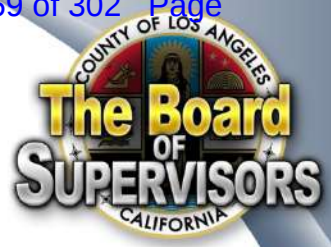
SUP. SOLIS: PRESENT.

SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL BE JOINING
WITH US AT APPROXIMATELY 10:30. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

SUP. KUEHL: HERE.

SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HAHN?

SUP. HAHN: HERE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE
2 OFFICER?

3

4 **CELIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** HERE.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MARY WICKHAM, COUNTY COUNSEL?

7

8 **ATTORNEY:** HERE.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
11 BOARD

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL
16 TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS DURING TODAY'S MEETING. THE
17 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 2,100 WRITTEN
18 PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN
19 COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE
20 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN
21 ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC
22 COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. DUE TO THE NUMBER OF WRITTEN
23 PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED, WE WILL NOT BE READING ALL THE
24 NAMES. HOWEVER, THESE COMMENTS WILL BECOME PART OF THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OFFICIAL RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
2 AGENDA.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND
5 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO,
6 SET MATTER AT 10:30 AM. ITEM S1 IS A DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC
7 HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO COVID-19 AS REQUESTED BY THE CHAIR OF
8 THE BOARD. ON PAGE THREE, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS, THIS IS
9 THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.
10 ON PAGE 5, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS FINANCING
11 AUTHORITY. ON PAGE 6, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE REGIONAL PARK
12 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON PAGE 7, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1-28. ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SORRY,
14 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
15 ITEM 6, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
16 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND
17 SUPERVISOR BARGER AMEND THE ITEM TO READ IN OPPOSE NEW
18 PROPOSAL THAT WOULD INCREASE HOUSING DENSITY IN VERY HIGH FIRE
19 HAZARDOUS SEVERITY ZONES. ITEM 16, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS
20 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEMS 18 AND 19,
21 SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 21
22 AND 22, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON
23 PAGE 29, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 29-61. ON ITEM 29, THE
24 ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
25 TO DECEMBER 8TH, 2020 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ITEM 36, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
2 ITEM 45, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
3 HELD. ON ITEM 48 IS AN URGENCY ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION AMENDING
4 COUNTY CODE TITLE 22 PLANNING AND ZONING TO EASE DEVELOPMENT
5 RESTRICTIONS AND ALLOW FOR DISASTER RECOVERY INCLUDING
6 TEMPORARY HOUSING, RECONSTRUCTION, AND PERMANENT -- PERMITTING
7 FOR PROPERTIES THAT SUFFERED IRREPARABLE DAMAGES OR
8 DESTRUCTIONS IN THE LAKE FIRE OR BOBCAT FIRE. ON PAGE 44, THIS
9 INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE
10 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS
11 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEMS 59D AND 59E,
12 SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM
13 59I, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE
14 REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES AND ITEMS TO BE REFERRED BACK
15 THROUGH 59I ARE BEFORE YOU.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY
18 SUPERVISOR HAHN. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 45, SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEM 62 IS A
21 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE LOS
22 ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS FINANCING AUTHORITY LEASE REVENUE
23 BONDS 2020 SERIES A ON A TAX EXEMPT BASIS WITH AN AGGREGATE
24 PAR AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$425 MILLION TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR
25 THE NEW LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF ARTS FACILITY PROJECT. ON



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AS YOU HEARD, OUR TIME FOR
3 PUBLIC SPEAKERS HAS ENDED. I WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY THAT
4 CALLED IN TO SPEAK. IF YOU WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR
5 COMMENTS, YOU MAY SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS AS INDICATED ON THE
6 AGENDA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT
7 COME IN DURING THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE
8 RECORD. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO
9 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEM NUMBER THREE. SHERIFF
10 VILLANUEVA, YOU WILL HAVE 5 MINUTES TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM.

11

12 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** GOOD MORNING, ALL, AND THANK YOU FOR THE
13 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS. I WANT TO SPEAK ON TWO ITEMS, ITEMS
14 NUMBER 55 AND ITEMS NUMBER 33. ITEM 55 IS ABOUT A SETTLEMENT
15 FOR A CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT, AND IT IS A \$14 MILLION SETTLEMENT
16 THAT IS GOING TO BE PAID OUT OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
17 FUNDS. HOWEVER, THE ACTIONS THAT AROSE THE SETTLEMENT CAME
18 FROM DURING SHERIFF VACA'S TENURE AND SHERIFF MCDONALD'S. AND
19 THE POINT IS THAT IN 1999, THE FORMER BOARD AUTHORIZED AND
20 DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT
21 S.C.A.A.P. FUNDS, AND ALSO BOTH SHERIFFS VACA AND MCDONALD,
22 THEY COOPERATED WITH I.C.E. I.C.E. WAS IN THE FACILITIES. THEY
23 FACILITATED A TRANSFER OF INMATES TO I.C.E.'S CUSTODY AND
24 ACCEPTED THE S.C.A.A.P. MONEY, A TOTAL OF \$122 MILLION FROM
25 2005 TO 2018. I REJECTED THE S.C.A.A.P. GRANT FUNDS, AND I WAS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 CHASTISED BECAUSE IT WAS UNREALIZED REVENUE. I KICKED I.C.E.
2 OUT OF THE JAILS, AND I BANNED ALL TRANSFERS OF INMATES TO
3 CUSTODY OF I.C.E. AND THE BOARD CALL MADE THAT BAN PERMANENT.
4 SO, I THANK YOU FOR THAT. HOWEVER, THE POINT IS, I THINK IT IS
5 MORALLY INDEFENSIBLE TO SLAP THE CURRENT SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT
6 2020 WITH THE MISTAKES OF PREVIOUS SHERIFFS AND PREVIOUS
7 BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS. SO THAT \$14 MILLION SHOULD BE PAID OUT
8 OF THE GENERAL FUND NOT OUT OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FUNDS
9 BECAUSE NOW WE ARE DOWN TO BRASS TACKS. YOU'VE DEFUNDED THE
10 DEPARTMENT BY HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THE CURRENT
11 BUDGET IS, \$105 MILLION. IT'S ACTUALLY A \$145 MILLION YOU'VE
12 DEFUNDED UNDER THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. AND THAT WAS BECAUSE
13 YOU GAVE US BACK \$40 MILLION OF FROM THE \$61 MILLION YOU HAS
14 STILL FROZEN FROM THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR. SO IN REALITY, IT
15 IS \$145 MILLION. AND ON TOP OF THAT NOW WE ARE GOING TO ITEM
16 NUMBER 3, BUT THE POINT IS, WE ARE MAKING DECISIONS HERE, AND
17 WE ARE IN TRIAGE MODE. AND WHILE YOU ARE DEFUNDING THE
18 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, YOU HAVE INCREASED THE COUNTY BUDGET
19 OVERALL TO \$36.7 BILLION. SO THIS IS KIND OF A REAL WEIRD
20 MOMENT WHERE THE COUNTY BUDGET OVERALL IS INCREASING WHILE THE
21 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET IS DECREASING. AND THERE IS NO FAT
22 LEFT TO TRIM EVERYWHERE. EVERYTHING WE DO WE ARE GOING TO BE
23 CONSOLIDATING. WE ARE GOING TO BE SHIFTING FUNDS WHERE WE CAN
24 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE AFFORDING ESSENTIAL SERVICES AND
25 WE'RE PROVIDING THOSE TO THE COMMUNITIES. SO GOING TO ITEM



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 NUMBER 3 NOW, SHIFTING TO ITEM NUMBER 3, WE NOW HAVE TO CLOSE
2 SOUTH FACILITY, WHICH SEEMS TO BE WHAT THE PUSH IS FOR THE
3 BOARD WHERE THE C.E.O. HAS FROZEN ALL OF THESE HUNDREDS, IF
4 NOT OVER A THOUSAND, POSITIONS THAT ARE IN CUSTODY FACILITIES.
5 SO WE CLOSE SOUTH FACILITY. THAT MEANS WE HAVE TO MOVE 700
6 INMATES FROM SOUTH, AND WE HAVE TO PUSH THEM INTO OTHER
7 FACILITIES, WHICH IS GOING TO INCREASE THE COVID-19 INFECTION
8 RATE. IT'S GOING TO CREATE OBVIOUSLY MORE CRAMPED QUARTERS AND
9 A LOT LESS OPPORTUNITY TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THIS COVID-19
10 PANDEMIC. SO WE ARE HARMING PUBLIC SAFETY BY ITEM NUMBER 3.
11 AND SO OUR RESPONSE TO THAT IS NOW WE ARE PICKING BETWEEN
12 LESSER EVILS. SO PARKS BUREAU, UNFORTUNATELY, IS THE LESSER
13 EVIL THAN THE OTHER ALTERNATIVES. SO MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHEN
14 YOU ARE SAYING YOU WANT TO ENSURE RELIABLE AND CONSISTENT
15 PUBLIC SAFETY, YOU CAN DO THAT BY NOT DEFUNDING PUBLIC SAFETY
16 FIRST AND FOREMOST. AND YOU WANT TO IMMEDIATELY SATISFY THE
17 PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY POLICING GAP, YOU HAVE CREATED
18 THAT GAP BY DEFUNDING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND NOW, AND
19 I'M GOING BACK TO 2009, YOU WERE PART OF THE BOARD THAT
20 APPROVED GETTING RID OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND
21 CREATING THE PARKS BUREAU AND THEN COUNTY SERVICES BUREAU WITH
22 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND IT WAS A COST-SAVING MEASURE.
23 WE REDUCED THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SWORN PERSONNEL, AND IT WAS A
24 WIN-WIN ACROSS THE BOARD IN 2009. NOTHING HAS CHANGED IN 2020
25 EXCEPT YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARDS LAW ENFORCEMENT. SO MR. RIDLEY-



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THOMAS, I THINK YOU NEED TO HEED YOUR OWN ADVICE FROM 2009 ON
2 THAT. NOW AND I KNOW ANOTHER PART DOWN HERE IS THIS MEASURE
3 CALLS FOR THE USE OF UNARMED STAFF TRAINED IN CRISIS RESPONSE
4 AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION STRATEGY. WOW, GOOD LUCK WITH THAT
5 WITH AN ARMED GANG MEMBER WHO WANTS TO SHOOT PEOPLE IN THE
6 PARK.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SHERIFF, CAN YOU CONCLUDE YOUR REMARKS,
9 PLEASE.

10

11 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YOU GAVE 3 MINUTES TO AVERAGE JOHN Q.
12 CITIZEN. I THINK THAT IF YOU COULD GIVE ME 5 MINUTES, THAT
13 WOULD BE ENOUGH.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YOU'VE HAD 5 MINUTES. I'M ASKING YOU TO --

16

17 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** I'M AT FOUR AND HALF, BUT YOU ARE
18 INTERRUPTING ME. NOW, LET'S GO TO THE LAST BUT NOT LEAST ON
19 ITEM NUMBER 3, AND I'M HEARING THE COMMENTS ABOUT GETTING
20 DEPUTIES AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OUT OF THE HOSPITAL AS WELL.
21 WELL, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A LOT TO SAY ABOUT THAT TOMORROW
22 ABOUT THE SHOOTING THAT TOOK PLACE IN HARBOR GENERAL, AND IT
23 WAS A SCENE OUT OF THE SHINING WITH JACK NICKELSON. SO WE ARE
24 GOING TO GIVE ALL THE DETAILS TOMORROW SO YOU CAN MAKE A



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 DIFFERENT TO DIFFERENT STAKEHOLDERS. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
2 THE OPTIONS PROVIDED IN THE REPORT BACK. THANK YOU MADAM
3 CHAIR.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. I JUST HAVE TO
6 SAY WHEN THE SHERIFF ANNOUNCED, AS PART OF HIS BUDGET, THAT
7 HE WAS ELIMINATING THE PARKS BUREAU, THIS WAS DONE WITHOUT
8 DISCUSSIONS WITH PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT OR THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS, WHICH ALLOCATES THE FUNDS FOR THE PARKS BUREAU.
10 THE SHERIFF FAILED TO RECOGNIZE THAT ELIMINATING PARKS BUREAU
11 MEANS THAT OVER \$23 MILLION WILL BE REALLOCATED OUT OF HIS
12 BUDGET TO THE PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT TO CONTRACT FOR PUBLIC
13 SAFETY SERVICES. UNLIKE PATROL SERVICES IN THE UNINCORPORATED
14 AREAS, PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES IN OUR PARKS CAN BE PROVIDED
15 OUTSIDE OF L.A.S.D. IN FACT, THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY, ALSO
16 KNOWN AS O.P.S., USED TO PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES IN
17 OUR PARKS. THE BOARD DISSOLVED O.P.S. AND TRANSFERRED THAT
18 FUNCTION TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN PART BECAUSE THE BOARD
19 RECOGNIZED THE NEED TO PROFESSIONALIZE AND ENHANCE PUBLIC
20 SAFETY AT OUR PARKS. I WAS DISAPPOINTED WITH THE SHERIFF'S
21 ACTION BECAUSE I HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND HOW VITAL THE SHERIFF IS
22 AT OUR PARKS AND IS TRULY APPRECIATED WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.
23 THE WORK OF THE DEPUTIES TRULY IS THE TYPE OF COMMUNITY
24 POLICING MODEL THAT WE WANT. THE RESULT OF HIS ANNOUNCEMENT
25 GIVES THIS BOARD NO CHOICE BUT TO REVIEW HOW PUBLIC SAFETY IS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PROVIDED IN OUR PARKS. I AM GOING SUPPORT THE REPORT BACK
2 TODAY BASED ON THE FACT THAT THE DIRECTIVES CALL FOR LOOK INTO
3 A THIRD PARTY ONLY IF NECESSARY. MY HOPE IS THAT THE REPORT
4 WILL RECOMMEND THAT WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE CURRENT
5 STRUCTURE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IF THE
6 SHERIFF WILL WORK WITH THIS BOARD AND WITH THE PARKS
7 DEPARTMENT. THE PARKS BUREAU PERSONNEL HAVE A GOOD REPUTATION
8 WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES. AND I DO NOT BELIEVE IT IS WISE TO
9 MAKE LONG TERM CHANGES BASED ON CURRENT PERSONALITIES. WE ALL
10 AGREE ON THIS BOARD THAT RELIABLE AND CONSISTENT PUBLIC SAFETY
11 WITHIN OUR COUNTY PARKS IS PARAMOUNT. AGAIN, I WILL BE
12 SUPPORTING THIS REPORT BACK, BUT WITH PLENTY OF RESERVATIONS
13 AS I BELIEVE THE PARKS BUREAU IS DOING AN INCREDIBLE JOB AND
14 IS, QUITE FRANKLY, BEING USED AS A PAWN BY THIS SHERIFF, WHICH
15 IS A DISSERVICE TO THE MEN AND WOMEN WITHIN THE PARKS BUREAU
16 AND WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
19 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS TIMELY MOTION BEFORE
20 US TODAY. AS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR
21 THE COUNTY'S 10 MILLION RESIDENTS, ENSURING NEED ARE MET,
22 UTILITIES, BUILDINGS, FACILITIES ARE MAINTAINED, AND THAT WE
23 KEEP THE COMMUNITIES SAFE, AND PUBLIC SAFETY IS ALSO A PART OF
24 OUR DUTIES AND A PRIORITY, I KNOW, FOR ALL OF US. AND A COUPLE
25 OF WEEKS AGO, I VOTED TO ADOPT THE COUNTY SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THAT WAS SPECIALLY CURATED BY THE ACTING C.E.O. AND TEAM.
2 THIS TOOK A LOT OF TIME AND EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT, DESPITE THE
3 GLOBAL PANDEMIC AND ECONOMIC CRISIS, OUR COUNTY CONTINUES TO
4 PROVIDE VITAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS TO OUR RESIDENTS, WHICH
5 INCLUDED SAVING ALL OF OUR EMPLOYEES FROM A LAYOFF. PARKS
6 SERVICE BUREAU, A SHERIFF DEPARTMENT UNIT, THAT WAS SUPPOSED
7 TO KEEP RESIDENTS AND STAFF SAFE WAS ONE OF THE MANY SHERIFF
8 UNITS THAT WE, AS A BOARD, SAVED DESPITE THE SHERIFF DECIDING
9 TO CUT IT, WHICH ALSO MEANT LAYING OFF THE DEPUTIES WHO WORK
10 IN THAT BUREAU. PARKS ARE PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT TO ME AS THEY
11 ARE SPACES WHERE RESIDENTS CAN SPEND TIME ALONE AND WITH
12 FRIENDS AND FAMILY, ENGAGE IN SELF CARE, MEDITATION, AND
13 MENTAL HEALTH. AND IT IS ALSO A PLACE WHERE THE COUNTY
14 PROVIDES SERVICES TO OUR YOUTH, ESPECIALLY THOSE AT RISK, LIKE
15 PARKS AFTER DARK. I ALSO USE MY DISCRETIONARY FUNDING TO FUND
16 SHERIFF DEPUTIES TO PATROL PARKS IN MY OWN DISTRICT. THE
17 SITUATION THAT IS CURRENTLY BEFORE US IS THAT THE FUNDING WE
18 SET ASIDE THAT WOULD PROVIDE SECURITY AND SAFETY IN THE PARKS
19 IS THREATENED BY THE SHERIFF TO BE USED NOT THE PARKS, WHICH
20 IS AGAINST THE BOARD'S BUDGETARY PRIORITIES. THIS MOTION CALLS
21 FOR A REPORT BACK THAT WOULD INCLUDE OPTIONS FOR THE BOARD TO
22 ACT TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC SAFETY IS MAINTAINED IN OUR
23 COUNTY'S PARKS, INCLUDING THE OPTION OF TRANSFERRING \$23
24 MILLION OUT OF HIS BUDGET AND DIRECTLY INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF
25 PARKS AND RECREATION TO ENSURE THAT THAT OCCURS. BUT BEYOND



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THAT, AS THE BOARD CONTINUES ALONG THE CARE FIRST/ JAIL LAST
2 PATH, A THOUGHTFUL DISCUSSION AND PLAN ON REDEFINING AND
3 REIMAGINING PUBLIC SAFETY IN PARKS, I THINK, IS NECESSARY.
4 JUST AS WE ARE MOVING FORWARD WITH ALTERNATIVES TO 911 AND
5 OTHER NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSES, THE SAME CAN BE SAID
6 ABOUT HOW OUR PARKS ARE POLICED. LOOKING AT A DIFFERENT PUBLIC
7 SAFETY MODEL THAT PROMOTES CRISIS RESPONSE AND VIOLENCE
8 PREVENTION STRATEGIES AND MODELS THROUGH A NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT
9 MEANS AND THROUGH THE USE OF UNARMED STAFF ALIGN WITH HOW THIS
10 BOARD ENVISIONS SAFETY AND HEALTH FOR OUR COMMUNITIES. PARKS
11 ARE AND SHOULD BE SAFE PLACES, AND IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO
12 MAINTAIN THAT SPACE. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING A REPORT
13 BACK ON THIS ITEM. BUT I DO WANT TO CLARIFY SOMETHING IF I
14 MIGHT. THE SHERIFF SPOKE TO US EARLIER REGARDING THIS ITEM. I
15 WANT TO CLARIFY THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WAS NOT THE ONLY
16 DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY THAT HAD TO DEAL WITH CURTAILMENTS.
17 ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS DID, BUT DESPITE THIS, THE BOARD
18 DECIDED TO ENSURE THAT THERE WERE NO LAYOFFS THIS FISCAL YEAR,
19 INCLUDING LAYOFFS IN HIS OWN DEPARTMENT. WE SAVED NUMEROUS
20 PROGRAMS AND UNITS THAT THE SHERIFF WANTED TO CUT, SUCH AS THE
21 PARKS BUREAU, SPECIAL VICTIMS BUREAU, THE M.E.T. TEAMS, AND
22 THE H.O.S.T. TEAMS AND EVEN PROVIDING ONE-TIME FUNDING OF \$40
23 MILLION TO THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT TO AVOID AN ADDITIONAL 100
24 PLUS LAYOFFS. IT IS NAIVE FOR THE SHERIFF TO THINK THAT PUBLIC
25 SAFETY IS ONLY HIS RESPONSIBILITY WHEN IT IS ALSO OURS. AND WE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 DO TAKE THIS VERY SERIOUSLY. IN FACT, THIS MOTION IS BEFORE US
2 BECAUSE THERE IS A RISK THAT SAFETY SERVICES WON'T BE
3 PROVIDED CONSISTENTLY IN OUR COUNTY PARKS, DESPITE THE BOARD
4 FUNDING THIS BUREAU DURING OUR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. MY MEN'S
5 CENTRAL JAIL CLOSURE MOTION WILL BE ASSESSING THE ACTUAL
6 STAFFING RATIOS AND LEVELS NEEDED TO COMPLY WITH THE
7 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS IN THE JAIL. WE NEED TO TAKE ALL FACTORS
8 INTO CONSIDERATION, SUCH AS THE LOWER JAIL POPULATIONS, THE
9 COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO KEEP THE JAIL POPULATION LOW, AND OUR
10 BUILD OUT OF AN A.T.I. INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE COMMUNITY. THE
11 ALLEGED IMPACT IN CUSTODY THE SHERIFF STATES WILL OCCUR ARE
12 DECISIONS THAT HE IS CHOOSING TO MAKE TO TAKE CUSTODY DEPUTIES
13 OUT OF THE ACCESS TO CARE BUREAU, H.O.H., AND FOOD SERVICES.
14 THOUGH THE SHERIFF SAYS THAT STAFFING IS AN ISSUE IN CUSTODY,
15 THE BIGGEST ISSUE AND CONCERN THAT COUNTLESS OVERSIGHT BODIES,
16 INCLUDING THE CIVILIANS' COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE BROUGHT
17 FORWARD WAS THAT THERE IS A CULTURE OF VIOLENCE IN THE JAILS
18 BROUGHT ABOUT BY CUSTODY STAFF AND THE FAILURE OF LEADERSHIP
19 TO ADDRESS THESE CONCERNS SWIFTLY AND APPROPRIATELY, WHICH WAS
20 REINFORCED BY THE ROSAS LAWSUIT AND THE D.O.J. CONSENT DECREE.
21 FINALLY, THE SHERIFF, TO SAY THAT THE COUNTY ENDED WITH A
22 SURPLUS IS MISLEADING. WE ARE STILL DEALING WITH THE \$661
23 MILLION DEFICIT. WE HAD TO TAP INTO OUR RESERVES FOR ONE-TIME
24 FUNDING TO ENSURE WE CONTINUED TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO OUR TEN
25 MILLION RESIDENTS, AND WE ARE STILL DEALING WITH A GLOBAL



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PANDEMIC THAT CONTINUES TO KILL ANGELENOS, AND WE ARE STILL
2 DEALING WITH AN ECONOMIC CRISIS AS EVIDENCED BY THOUSANDS OF
3 BUSINESSES THAT ARE STRUGGLING AND RESIDENTS WHO CAN'T PAY
4 THEIR BILLS. WE STILL HAVE INCREDIBLE NEEDS IN OUR COMMUNITY.
5 SO, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE FOLLOWING, WE HAD A LETTER THAT
6 WAS SENT TO US THIS MORNING BY THE SHERIFF. THE LETTER DOES
7 NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THAT THE FACT THAT THE INMATE POPULATION
8 HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED IN THE JAILS AS A RESULT OF
9 COVID, AND THEREFORE, LESS STAFFING IS NEEDED TO SATISFY THE
10 TERMS OF THE CONSENT DECREE. AND I HAVE MANY, MANY QUESTIONS
11 THAT I WOULD WANT TO ADDRESS TO COUNTY COUNSEL IF THEY CAN
12 ALSO HELP TO RESPOND TO SOME OF THESE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN
13 RAISED IN THIS LETTER THAT ALL THE BOARD OFFICES RECEIVED
14 RIGHT BEFORE THIS MEETING. IF I CAN HAVE COUNTY COUNSEL ON, I
15 WOULD APPRECIATE IT?

16

17 **ATTORNEY:** MARY WICKHAM IS HERE.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, SO, MARY, COUNTY COUNSEL, I WANTED TO ASK,
20 THE FACT THAT THE LETTER THAT WAS SENT TO US, CAN YOU TALK US
21 THROUGH SOME OF THE ITEMS THAT WERE BROUGHT UP THERE, THAT
22 WERE RAISED, THAT I THINK THEY ARE MISLEADING?

23

24 **ATTORNEY:** YES, SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. I MEAN
25 AS YOU POINT OUT, NUMBER ONE, THE LETTER DOES NOT TAKE INTO



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ACCOUNT THE FACT THAT THE INMATE POPULATION HAS BEEN REDUCED
2 AS A RESULT OF COVID, AND THEREFORE, LESS STAFFING IS NEEDED
3 OVERALL TO RUN THE JAILS. SECOND, THE SHERIFF SEEMS TO BE
4 MAKING A POINT THAT THE STAFFING ISSUE IS SIGNIFICANT AND THAT
5 HE CANNOT COMPLY WITH THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF CONSENT
6 DECREES BECAUSE OF THE BUDGET PROPOSAL, IT WILL IMPACT
7 STAFFING, AND THAT IS JUST NOT ACCURATE. OUR MOST RECENT
8 REPORTS FROM THE VARIOUS COURT MONITORS HAVE OVERALL SUGGESTED
9 THAT WE ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CONSENT
10 DECREES, AND, AS TO STAFFING, THE PROPOSED BUDGET PLAN IMPACT
11 TO STAFFING DOES NOT -- IS NOT NEW. IN OTHER WORDS, STAFFING
12 WAS ALWAYS AN ISSUE FOR THE SHERIFF AS IT PERTAINED TO
13 COMPLIANCE WITH CONSENT DECREE REQUIREMENTS. THE PROPOSED
14 BUDGET PLAN DOES NOT CREATE A NEW SCENARIO, AND THAT, COUPLED
15 WITH THE FACT THAT OVERALL INMATE POPULATION IS NOW REDUCED,
16 ONE WOULD DRAW THE CONCLUSION THAT DEPUTY SHERIFF STAFFING,
17 LIKEWISE, COULD BE REDUCED IN THE JAIL SETTING. SO, HE SEEMS
18 TO BE -- THE SHERIFF SEEMS TO BE MAKING AN ISSUE OUT OF
19 SOMETHING CONVENIENTLY THAT, IN FACT, THE FACTS JUST DO NOT
20 SUPPORT. THOSE ARE THE POINTS, I THINK, THAT COME TO MIND.

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS:** AND HAS THE SHERIFF ACTUALLY IDENTIFIED FOR US THE
23 ACTUAL CUSTODY STAFFING LEVELS IN THE JAIL?

24



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **ATTORNEY:** GREAT QUESTION, NO. THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THE C.E.O.,
2 WE HAVE REPEATEDLY ASKED THE SHERIFF FOR THOSE NUMBERS. WE
3 HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN THOSE NUMBERS, SO MUCH SO THAT THE C.E.O.
4 HAS HAD TO BRING IN A CONSULTANT OUTSIDE OF THE SHERIFF'S
5 DEPARTMENT, AND WE ARE EXPECTING A REPORT BACK FROM THE
6 CONSULTANT I THINK IN JUNE '21 WITH THE HOPE THAT THAT
7 CONSULTANT CAN IDENTIFY THE NUMBERS. ALTHOUGH, AND EVEN THERE,
8 IT IS UNCERTAIN BECAUSE WE NEED COOPERATION FROM THE SHERIFF
9 REALLY IN ORDER TO VERIFY THE STAFFING LEVELS IN THE JAILS.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, COUNTY COUNSEL. AND THANK
12 YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR ALLOWING ME TO ASK THESE QUESTIONS.
13 THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I WAS SITTING
16 HERE, AND I AM TOLD THAT WHEN YOU BECOME A CAPTAIN, YOU ARE
17 REQUIRED TO UNDERSTAND HOW TO BALANCE YOUR BUDGET. SO I WOULD
18 HIGHLY SUGGEST THE SHERIFF TALK WITH HIS CAPTAINS TO BETTER
19 UNDERSTAND THE BUDGET PROCESS BECAUSE THIS IS THE CLASSIC
20 EXAMPLE OF WHERE THE ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE TO ELIMINATE A
21 BUREAU WITHOUT THE UNDERSTANDING THAT, IN FACT, THE BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS FUNDS THAT BUREAU, AND IF HE ELIMINATES THE
23 BUREAU, HE IS ELIMINATING THE FUNDING. SO I HOPE THE SHERIFF
24 WILL EITHER WORK WITH THE C.E.O. AND WITH THE BOARD, OR, AT
25 THE VERY LEAST, TALK TO HIS CAPTAINS, WHO, WHEN THEY WERE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN, UNDERSTAND HOW THE BUDGET PROCESS WORKS
2 WITH THE COUNTY. SO HEARING NO ONE ELSE, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
3 THOMAS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY ANYTHING?

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE
6 OPPORTUNITY. I THINK WE HAVE COVERED THIS SUFFICIENTLY. I
7 TRUST THAT IT IS CLEAR TO ALL WHO ARE LISTENING THAT THIS
8 BOARD TAKES PUBLIC SAFETY SERIOUSLY. IT IS OUR PRIORITY. WE
9 TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PARKS TO BE AS BEAUTIFUL AND AS
10 ACCESSIBLE AND MAY I SAY AS SAFE AS HUMANLY POSSIBLE. THAT IS
11 THE MESSAGE WE ARE DELIVERING, AND FROM THAT POSITION, WE WILL
12 NOT RETREAT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU, MS. HAHN AND
13 THE BALANCE OF THE BOARD, FOR CONSIDERING THIS ITEM, AND I
14 LOOK FORWARD TO, WHEN IT COMES BACK, SO THAT WE CAN DO THE
15 PEOPLE'S BUSINESS IN A WAY THAT REPRESENTS US IN GOOD STEAD.
16 THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SO THE MOTION IS BEFORE US,
19 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN
20 TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
21 ROLL.

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 3 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

24

25 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

EXHIBIT 53



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2020 ON PAGE 145]

3
4
5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO THE
6 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27TH, 2020. OUR MEETING
8 TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY, DUE TO THE CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH
9 CRISIS, TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL NOW TAKE ROLL
10 CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND RESPOND
11 WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12
13 **SUP. SOLIS:** PRESENT.

14
15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

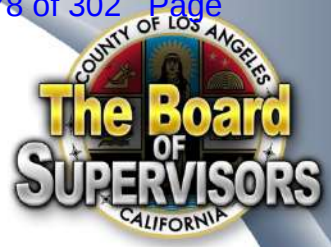
16
17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HERE.

18
19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

20
21 **SUP. KUEHL:** HERE.

22
23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

24
25 **SUP. HAHN:** HERE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE
3 OFFICER?

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** PRESENT.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY
8 COUNSEL?

9

10 **I'M HERE, SUPERVISOR.**

11

12 **>>SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
13 BOARD?

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL
18 BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENT SEPARATELY FOR REGULAR
19 AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS DURING TODAY'S MEETING.
20 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 1900 WRITTEN
21 PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN
22 COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO
23 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN
24 ACT'S REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN
25 COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. DUE TO THE NUMBER OF WRITTEN

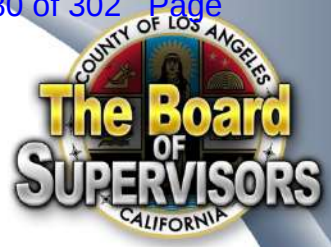


THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED, WE WILL NOT BE READING THE NAMES;
2 HOWEVER, THESE COMMENTS WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL
3 RECORD. COLLEAGUES, FOR TODAY'S MEETING, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER
4 WILL READ THE AGENDA, FOLLOWED BY PUBLIC COMMENT FOR REGULAR
5 AGENDA ITEMS, AFTER WHICH WE WILL VOTE ON THE CONSENT ITEMS
6 AND ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE SUPERVISORS. WE WILL THEN HEAR A
7 SUMMARY OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, FOLLOWED BY PUBLIC
8 COMMENT FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. WE WILL THEN TAKE UP
9 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, AFTER WHICH WE WILL CONVENE INTO CLOSED
10 SESSION. ONCE WE RETURN, WE WILL TAKE UP THE SET ITEMS,
11 FOLLOWED BY ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS. WITH THAT, MADAM
12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. GOOD MORNING,
15 MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL
16 BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTER. ITEM S-1 IS A DISCUSSION OF THE
17 PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO C.O.V.I.D.-19, AS REQUESTED BY
18 THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION.
19 ON PAGE 3, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE
20 LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ITEMS 4-D AND 5-D
21 ARE ADDITIONS, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
22 PAGE 5, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8. ITEM 1: THIS
23 INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
24 ON ITEM 4, THIS IS TAKEN OFF CALENDAR, DUE TO THE APPELLANT'S
25 WITHDRAWAL OF THE APPEAL, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 AGENDA. ON ITEM 6, THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING REQUESTS
2 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS, TO NOVEMBER 10TH, 2020.
3 ON ITEM 8, THE CHAIR'S OFFICE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
4 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS, TO NOVEMBER 10TH, 2020. THE REMAINING
5 ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE 9, CONSENT CALENDAR,
6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 9 THROUGH 38. ON ITEM 10,
7 SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO
8 WEEKS, TO NOVEMBER 10TH, 2020, AS INDICATED ON THE
9 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 21, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS
10 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED
11 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 24, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
12 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 27, SUPERVISOR
13 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 26,
14 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 39 THROUGH 59. ON ITEM 39, THE
15 ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
16 CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 8TH, 2020, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
17 AGENDA. ON PAGE 35, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO
18 THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF
19 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM
20 57-A, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
21 ITEM 57-D, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
22 ON ITEM 57-E, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
23 HELD. ON ITEM 57-G, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
24 BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE. ON ITEM 57-H, SUPERVISOR
25 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 57-J,

October 27, 2020



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 TO CONTINUE TO SAY THAT JUST BECAUSE HEADLINES RUN OUT IN
2 THESE COMMUNITIES, THAT THE TERROR AND THE TRAUMA CONTINUE TO
3 PERSIST AND LEAVE A LEGACY HERE OF FEELING UNSAFE,
4 UNPROTECTED, AND TARGETED BY STATE AGENTS, AND WE NEED TO
5 CONTINUE TO REALLY REIMAGINE WHAT IT MEANS TO HAVE PUBLIC
6 SAFETY IN OUR COMMUNITIES, THAT RESOURCES DON'T GET FUNNELED
7 TO POLICE AGENCIES THAT HAVE NOT SHOWN THEMSELVES--

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

10 [INAUDIBLE]

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS
13 HAS ENDED. THANK YOU TO ALL THAT CALLED IN TO SPEAK. IF YOU
14 WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS, YOU MAY SUBMIT WRITTEN
15 COMMENTS, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO
16 ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING,
17 WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM
18 SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
19 ITEMS 57-H AND 57-J. SHERIFF, YOU WILL HAVE 5 MINUTES TO
20 ADDRESS THESE ITEMS. THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

21

22 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. I WILL MAKE
23 MY COMMENTS VERY BRIEF, AND I'M ONLY ADDRESSING 57-H. GOOD
24 MORNING. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE
25 MY VOICE WITH YOU AND THE COMMUNITY. REGARDING THIS MOTION, I

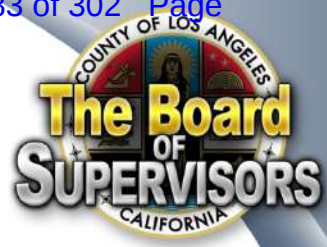


THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 CAN AGREE WITH TWO THINGS: ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ARE
2 OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE. THE FACTS SHOW I HAVE BEEN MORE
3 TRANSPARENT, MORE ACCOUNTABLE, AND HAVE OFFERED GREATER ACCESS
4 TO MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY THAN ANY PRIOR L.A. COUNTY
5 SHERIFF. AS YOU RECALL, S.B. 1421 NOW REQUIRES POLICE AGENCIES
6 ACROSS THE STATE TO RELEASE DOCUMENTS THAT WERE ONCE
7 CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL. AS A RESULT, THESE REQUESTS HAVE NOW
8 SKYROCKETED. THE PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION DID NOT LEAVE ANY
9 INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE TO MEET THE AVALANCHE OF REQUESTS. WE
10 REQUESTED FUNDING FOR REQUIRED COMPLIANCE STAFFING AND
11 SOFTWARE ON 6 SEPARATE OCCASIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS C.E.O., BUT
12 WERE DENIED EACH TIME. PROVIDING THIS FUNDING WILL GREATLY
13 INCREASE THE SPEED AND EFFICIENCY OF THESE REQUESTS.
14 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY DO NOT COME CHEAP. THEY ARE
15 EXPENSIVE. THIS IS WHY I FOUGHT SO HARD REGARDING BUDGETARY
16 ISSUES. MY VISION FOR CHANGING THE ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE IS
17 MUCH MORE DIFFICULT WHEN WE ARE FORCED TO ELIMINATE
18 NONESSENTIAL POSITIONS DUE TO A LACK OF FUNDING. THE VAST
19 MAJORITY OF PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN RAISED REGARDING
20 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY CAN BE EASILY SOLVED WITH A
21 NEW MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
22 AND THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL. I WHOLEHEARTEDLY COMMIT
23 TO WORK WITH YOU IN GOOD FAITH TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL. I REQUEST
24 THE BOARD DIRECT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL TO REPORT BACK ON ALL
25 OF THE DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS THAT HE HAS PARTICIPATED IN

October 27, 2020



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SINCE 2014, AT THE INCEPTION OF HIS OFFICE. HIS OFFICE
2 [INAUDIBLE] EACH WALKTHROUGH WITH THE HOMICIDE INVESTIGATORS.
3 THEY HAVE ATTENDED EACH CRITICAL INCIDENT REVIEW, EVERY SINGLE
4 EXECUTIVE FORCE REVIEW COMMITTEE, AND THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE
5 ENTIRE DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTING PACKET THAT IS PROVIDED TO THE
6 JUSTICE AND INTEGRITY DIVISION OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S
7 OFFICE. WE HAVE NEVER, EVER HEARD BACK FROM THE INSPECTOR
8 GENERAL ON A SINGLE ONE OF THESE INCIDENTS, WHICH IS IMPORTANT
9 FOR US, BECAUSE IN CASE WE ARE DOING SOMETHING WRONG OR WE
10 NEED A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE, HOW WE CAN IMPROVE EITHER OUR
11 SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY OR THE QUALITY OF OUR INVESTIGATIONS,
12 IT WOULD HELP IF WE HAD SOME KIND OF FEEDBACK FROM THE
13 INSPECTOR GENERAL. AND TO DATE, WE HAVE NEVER RECEIVED THAT.
14 AND ALL THAT BEING SAID, WE ARE COUNTY FAMILY. AND WHEN THERE
15 IS COLLABORATION, WE CAN DO GREAT THINGS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO
16 BUY MORE CAMERAS. BEFORE THE BOARD VOTES ON THIS MOTION, I
17 URGE EACH SUPERVISOR TO MEET WITH ME PRIVATELY. LET'S SET
18 ASIDE THE PAST AND WORK OUT OUR DIFFERENCES. THIS IS WHAT GOOD
19 LEADERS DO IN TRYING TIMES LIKE THESE, BECAUSE ELECTED OFFICE
20 IS NOT ABOUT OUR OWN LIKES AND DISLIKES. IT IS ABOUT THE
21 PEOPLE WE ARE ELECTED TO SERVE. I LOOK FORWARD TO FINDING
22 COMMON GROUND WE CAN ALL STAND TOGETHER ON, IN THE INTEREST OF
23 PUBLIC SAFETY AND FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
24 TIME.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, FOR THOSE
2 COMMENTS. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
3 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS WE WILL BE VOTING ON.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: ITEM
6 1-D THROUGH 5-D, 9, 11 THROUGH 20, 22 AND 23, 25 AND 26, 28
7 THROUGH 38, 40 THROUGH 56, 57-B, 57-C, 57-F, 57-I, 57-K, 60,
8 AND 61 ARE BEFORE YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT WILL BE MOVED BY
11 SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THESE
12 ITEMS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
19 THOMAS?

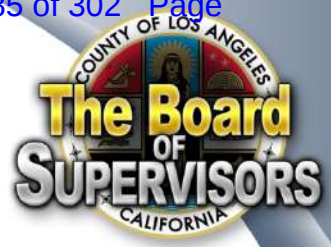
20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
24 KUEHL?

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU,
2 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION BEFORE US.
3 YOU KNOW, IT ANGERS ME THAT WE CONTINUE TO SEE ONLY THE
4 KILLINGS OF BLACK AND BROWN PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY. BUT THE
5 NEED FOR A FOLLOW-UP MOTION TO ENSURE THAT AN INVESTIGATION
6 CONDUCTED BY THE SHERIFF BE TRANSPARENT AND REQUIRE AN
7 INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, BUT HERE
8 WE ARE. BEFORE I BEGIN MY REMARKS, THOUGH I WANT TO EXTEND MY
9 SYMPATHIES TO THE FAMILY OF FRED WILLIAMS, I STAND WITH YOU IN
10 YOUR PURSUIT OF THE TRUTH ABOUT YOUR SON'S DEATH. YOU DESERVE
11 THE TRUTH. YOU DESERVE ANSWERS. BUT LET ME SAY YOU SHOULD NOT
12 BE DEALING WITH YOUR SON'S DEATH. THIS IS A PARENT'S WORST
13 NIGHTMARE. AND I LEND MY SUPPORT TO THE WILLIAMS FAMILY AND
14 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION IN HAVING THE CHIEF MEDICAL
15 EXAMINER CONDUCT AN IMMEDIATE INQUEST INTO FRED'S DEATH. WE
16 HAVE NO CONFIDENCE IN THE SHERIFF, WHO IS NOT ABLE TO INSPECT
17 AND INVESTIGATE ON HIS OWN. ADDITIONALLY, GIVEN THE SHERIFF'S
18 PREVIOUS HISTORY ON HOW HE ENGAGES-- OR, SHOULD I SAY, NOT
19 COLLABORATE WITH THE INSPECTOR GENERAL-- I LOOK FORWARD TO THE
20 REPORT BACK ABOUT ALTERNATIVE PLANS TO ENSURE AN INDEPENDENT
21 INVESTIGATION IS CONDUCTED ON HOW FRED WAS KILLED. AGAIN, I
22 WANT TO SEND MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY, AND I HOPE THAT WE
23 CAN LOOK FORWARD TO MORE TRANSPARENCY AS WE MOVE AHEAD, ON THE
24 PART OF THE SHERIFF. AND I FULLY SUPPORT THE OFFICE OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 WITH THE AMOUNT OF CLARITY AND CONFIDENCE THAT MAKES EACH
2 BOARD MEMBER COMFORTABLE. THEREFORE, I'M GOING TO CONTINUE
3 THIS ITEM PURSUANT TO AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT ON THE PART OF THE
4 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD THAT MORE OPPORTUNITY MAY BE NEEDED. AND
5 SO WE WILL TAKE IT UP, MADAM CHAIR, WITH YOUR PERMISSION, AT
6 THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD, SO AS TO
7 AFFORD EVERY MEMBER THE OPPORTUNITY THAT THEY WISH TO HAVE TO
8 STUDY THIS ISSUE MORE CAREFULLY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THEN THIS ITEM WILL BE
11 CONTINUED, BUT UNDERSTAND THAT I STILL STAND BY MY BELIEF THAT
12 THE SHERIFF IS ELECTED; AND THAT IN 2022, UNLESS THERE'S AN
13 EFFORT TO VACATE THAT SEAT PRIOR TO THAT, THAT THAT'S WHERE
14 THE VOTERS HAVE A RIGHT. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO
15 RECOGNIZE THAT POLICY. BUT I LOOK LOOK FORWARD TO DISCUSSING
16 THIS AGAIN IN TWO WEEKS.

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR?

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YES.

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** AS CO-AUTHOR OF THE MOTION, SINCE YOU MADE A--

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. GO AHEAD.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

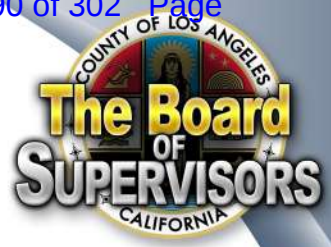
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. I AGREE, OBVIOUSLY, WITH
2 CONTINUING IT. BUT SINCE YOU MADE A STATEMENT, I SIMPLY WANTED
3 TO SAY THAT I HOPE THAT EACH OF MY COLLEAGUES WILL LOOK INTO
4 THE FACT THAT IT'S VERY UNUSUAL IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO
5 ELECT THE HEAD OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY. THIS IS IN THE
6 CONSTITUTION. OBVIOUSLY, IF IT WERE TO BE CHANGED, THAT IS
7 PART OF THIS EXPLORATION, IS WHAT IT MIGHT TAKE. BUT THERE ARE
8 OTHER THINGS IN THIS MOTION THAT I HOPE ALL MY COLLEAGUES WILL
9 LOOK AT, BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME VERY INTERESTING CONCEPTS
10 STILL AGAIN BEING EXPLORED, ONE AS TO WHETHER IT WOULD BEHOOVE
11 US IN OUR MUNICIPAL ROLE-- THAT IS, FOR THE UNINCORPORATED
12 AREAS-- TO EMULATE OUR CITIES THAT HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT
13 AGENCIES, AND ADOPT A KIND OF MUNICIPAL POLICING APPROACH-- A
14 COUNTY POLICE FORCE WHOSE HEAD WE WOULD HIRE, AND THEN WE
15 WOULD NOT HAVE THIS OPTION OR THE REQUIREMENT OF BEGGING THE
16 SHERIFF EVERY TIME TO DO THE RIGHT THING, WITHOUT ANY WAY OF
17 REALLY HOLDING HIM ACCOUNTABLE. EVEN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES
18 TODAY OPINED THAT THERE WAS NO ABILITY TO HOLD THE SHERIFF
19 ACCOUNTABLE, JUST BECAUSE THERE'S AN ELECTION EVERY FOUR
20 YEARS. SO I THINK THIS IS AN INCREDIBLY INTERESTING AND
21 IMPORTANT MOTION. I HOPE PEOPLE WILL-- AND THEIR STAFFS - WILL
22 RESEARCH THE WAYS IN WHICH WE MIGHT LOOK INTO CHANGING THAT
23 APPROACH, AND TO LOOK AT ALL OF THE WAYS IN WHICH VIRTUALLY
24 EVERY OTHER GOVERNMENT HANDLES LAW ENFORCEMENT, EXCEPT FOR THE
25 58 COUNTIES, AND WHETHER THAT MIGHT BE A BETTER WAY TO GO FOR

EXHIBIT 54



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020, 9:30 AM

3

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME

6 TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY

7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH, 2020.

8 OUR MEETING TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY DUE TO THE CURRENT

9 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL TAKE

10 ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE, PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND

11 RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** PRESENT.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR

16 KUEHL?

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL:** HERE.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

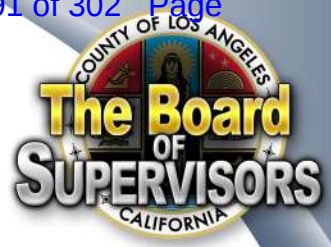
21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** I'M HERE.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, ACTING C.E.O.?

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

2

3 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, ACTING COUNTY
4 COUNSEL?

5

6 **ATTORNEY:** HERE.

7

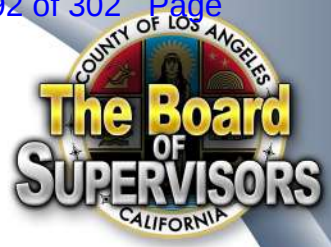
8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
9 BOARD?

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED ON THE AGENDA,
14 WE WILL TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS SEPARATELY FOR
15 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS DURING TODAY'S
16 MEETING. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 8900
17 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE
18 WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO
19 THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE
20 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN
21 PUBLIC COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. DUE TO THE NUMBER OF
22 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED, WE WILL NOT BE READING ALL
23 THE NAMES. HOWEVER, THESE COMMENTS WILL BE PART OF THE
24 OFFICIAL RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
25 AGENDA.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF

3 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTER,

4 10:30. THIS ITEM IS HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ITEM S1 IS A

5 DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO COVID-19 AS

6 REQUESTED BY THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD. ON PAGE 3, SPECIAL

7 DISTRICT AGENDAS, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES

8 COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ON PAGE 5, THIS IS THE AGENDA

9 FOR THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. PAGE 6 CONSENT

10 CALENDAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1-28, ON ITEM TWO, THIS

11 INCLUDES A SUBSTITUTION MOTION AS INDICATED ON THE

12 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM THREE, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS

13 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 6, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS

14 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 55. ON ITEM

15 10, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM

16 14, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS IS

17 A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM

18 16, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

19 ON ITEM 23, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

20 THE INCLUDES REVISION AND CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDMENT BY

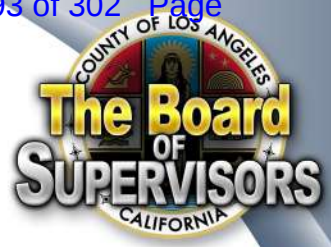
21 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL

22 AGENDA. ON ITEMS 24 AND 25, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT

23 THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON PAGE 25, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS

24 29-67. ON ITEM 30, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS

25 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 54, THE INSPECTOR GENERAL REQUESTS THAT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

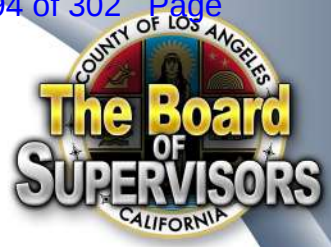
1 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 24TH, 2020. ON
2 ITEM 55, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
3 ITEM 59, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THE BOARD APPROVES A
4 SETTLEMENT, BUT THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN BE CONTINUED TO
5 DECEMBER 8TH, 2020. ON ITEM 60, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
6 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 49, THIS INCLUDES
7 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
8 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE. ON ITEM 65A, SUPERVISOR HAHN
9 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 55 -- 65F, SUPERVISOR
10 KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REQUEST FOR
11 CONTINUANCES THROUGH 65I ARE BEFORE YOU.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY
14 SUPERVISOR HAHN. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 50, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION,
17 ITEM 68 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE
18 PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO THE
19 CALIFORNIA RESOURCES PETROLEUM CORPORATION TO EXTEND THE TERM
20 OF THE FRANCHISE FOR 15 YEARS THROUGH DECEMBER 31ST, 2035. ON
21 PAGE 51, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEM 69-71, THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD
22 FOR HEARING. ON PAGE 54, NOTICES FOR CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM -
23 - ON PAGE 57, ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS FOR
24 FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE BOARD. ON ITEM A4,
25 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS TO HOLD THIS ITEM RELATED TO



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ABUSE THEIR POWER, JESUS ONCE SAID, "TO WHOM MUCH IS GIVEN,
2 MUCH IS REQUIRED." THE SHERIFF HAS BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH MUCH
3 POWER, AND THUS MUCH ACCOUNTABILITY IS REQUIRED. AND SINCE THE
4 SHERIFF HAS DEMONSTRATED IN A MYRIAD OF WAYS THAT HE DEFIES
5 THE ACCOUNTABILITY, I STRONGLY SUPPORT ITEM 16 --

6

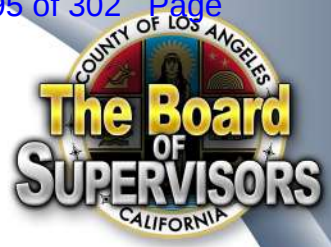
7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MADAM
8 CHAIR, THAT NOW CONCLUDES THE ONE HOUR OF PUBLIC COMMENT
9 TESTIMONY.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IF ANYONE WAS NOT ABLE TO GET
12 THROUGH, THEY ARE ALLOWED TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENT BEFORE THE
13 END OF THE BOARD MEETING THAT WILL BE PUT INTO THE AGENDA FOR
14 THE RECORD. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO
15 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEM 14. SHERIFF, YOU WILL
16 HAVE 5 MINUTES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

17

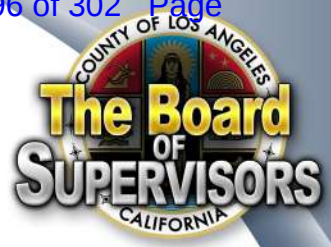
18 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, AND I BELIEVE
19 IT IS ITEM 16. IT IS ITEM 16. AND THE -- I WANT TO SAY, FIRST
20 OF ALL, THAT THERE'S AN AWFUL LOT OF BAD INFORMATION AND FALSE
21 INFORMATION OUT THERE. I THINK WE NEED TO CORRECT THE RECORD.
22 FOR STARTERS, I THINK LET ME JUST SAY THAT, BECAUSE OF MY
23 EFFORTS SINCE I TOOK OFFICE, I.C.E. IS GONE FROM THE JAILS,
24 THE COURTHOUSES, THE PATROL STATIONS. I HAVE ENDED ALL
25 SELLING OF UNDOCUMENTED INMATE DATABASE TO THE FEDERAL



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

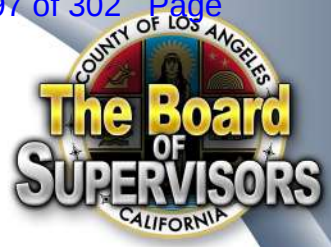
1 GOVERNMENT, WHICH MEANS FOR MONEY. I ENDED THE DEPORTATION OF
2 INMATES, UNDOCUMENTED INMATES, AND THAT WAS BECAUSE I WAS
3 ELECTED SHERIFF, NOT IN SPITE OF IT. BODY WORN CAMERAS ARE
4 NOW HERE TO SAY. IT'S DEPLOYED OUT INTO THE FIELD. THE
5 BANDITOS, EAST L.A., THAT CLIQUE HAS BEEN BROKEN UP. PEOPLE
6 HAVE BEEN HELD ACCOUNTABLE, ACCORDING TO THE RULE OF LAW, AND
7 THE ANTI-CLIQUE POLICY THAT EVERY PREVIOUS SHERIFF REFUSED TO
8 ENACT, I DID ENACT. WE ARE NOW USING IT MOVING FORWARD. I
9 CHAMPIONED A.B.2655. I SPONSORED IT. IT HAS BEEN SIGNED INTO
10 LAW BY THE GOVERNOR, AND THAT PROHIBITS FIRST RESPONDERS FROM
11 TAKING UNAUTHORIZED PHOTOGRAPHS AND DISSEMINATING THEM AT THE
12 SCENES OF ACCIDENTS THAT WOULD DISPLAY HUMAN REMAINS. AND THAT
13 IS IN RESPONSE TO THE KOBE BRYANT TRAGEDY. I'VE HIRED 1100
14 DEPUTIES IN A YEAR, WHICH IS A RECORD. AND WE HIRED THEM
15 LOCALLY. OUR OWN SONS AND DAUGHTERS FROM OUR OWN COMMUNITIES
16 ARE NOW THE ONES WHO ARE SERVING THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES, AND
17 THESE ARE PEOPLE OF COLOR THAT WE ARE HIRING LEFT AND RIGHT.
18 FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER IN THE HISTORY OF THE DEPARTMENT, WE
19 HAVE FOUR FEMALE DIVISION CHIEFS AT THE SAME TIME. THAT IS A
20 VERY BIG FIRST BECAUSE NOW OUR LEADERSHIP RANKS REFLECTS THE
21 DIVERSITY OF OUR LINE STAFF, WHICH REFLECTS THE DIVERSITY OF
22 THE COMMUNITY. THAT IS THE FIRST TIME EVER IN THE HISTORY OF
23 THE DEPARTMENT. WE DEPOPULATED THE NATION'S LARGEST JAIL
24 SYSTEM BY OVER 5,000 INMATES. WE DID IT IN THE SPAN OF TWO OR
25 THREE MONTHS. WE DID IT IN FEBRUARY, BEFORE IT BECAME THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

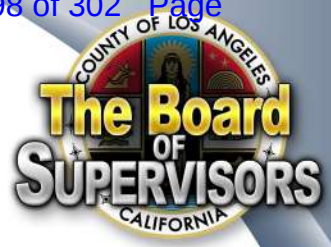
1 CRISIS THAT IT WAS IN MARCH BECAUSE WE WERE ANTICIPATING THIS
2 PROBLEM. AND AS A RESULT OF THAT, WE SAVED THOUSANDS OF LIVES,
3 AND WE RESULTED IN THE LOSS OF FIVE INMATES, UNFORTUNATELY, TO
4 COVID-19, BUT CONSIDERING THE SHEER SIZE OF THE SYSTEM, IT IS
5 A SMALL MIRACLE BECAUSE OTHER FACILITIES THAT ARE A FRACTION
6 OF OUR SIZE SAW HUNDREDS OF DEATHS. AND THE TEMPLATE THAT WE
7 CREATED WAS USED THROUGHOUT THE NATION FOR OTHER JAIL SYSTEMS
8 AND PRISON SYSTEMS TO SAVE PEOPLE VERY SUCCESSFULLY. CIVIL
9 UNRESTS, WE HAD ZERO DEATHS. WE HAD ZERO MAJOR INJURIES, A
10 HUGE CONTRAST FROM 1992, FROM 1970, FROM 1965, AND ALL OF
11 THOSE OTHER AREAS OF CIVIL UNREST WHEN THERE WAS DEATHS AND
12 THERE WAS DAMAGE CAUSING BILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND THOUSANDS OF
13 PEOPLE INJURED. WE HAD NOTHING. WE HAD MINOR INJURIES AT BEST,
14 AND WE ALLOWED TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE, WE PROTECTED THEIR
15 RIGHT TO PEACEFULLY PROTEST. THAT IS A BIG IMPROVEMENT. WE CUT
16 OUR OVERTIME BUDGET IN HALF. WE MADE GOOD ON THE TRANSPARENCY
17 PROMISE. WE'VE HONORED ALL REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION FROM
18 O.I.G. AND THE C.O.C. AND UNFORTUNATELY, YOU HAVE BEEN
19 DELIBERATELY MISLED BY YOUR INSPECTOR GENERAL. HE HAS BEEN
20 FEEDING YOU FALSE INFORMATION FOR A LONG TIME. I WANT TO
21 ENCOURAGE EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU TO GO LOOK FOR YOURSELF.
22 HAVE YOUR JUSTICE DEPUTIES COME INSPECT ANY OF OUR FACILITIES,
23 ANY OF OUR OPERATIONS, ANY OF THE REQUESTS FOR DOCUMENTATION.
24 YOU WILL FIND OUT, OH MY GOD, HE IS ACTUALLY FOLLOWING THROUGH
25 ON TRANSPARENCY. YOU GO TO OUR WEBSITE, LAUSD.ORG, YOU CAN SEE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE TRANSPARENCY TAB. YOU CAN CLICK ON THAT ON. YOU CAN SEE
2 ALL THE SECTIONS AND ALL OF THE THINGS THAT NOW ARE SEEING THE
3 LIGHT OF DAY THAT NEVER, EVER BEFORE WAS EVER SEEN THE LIGHT
4 OF DAY. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. REGARDING THE HOMELESS, OUR
5 HOMELESS OUTREACH SERVICE TEAM IS A MODEL THAT IS BEING
6 DUPLICATED IN OTHER COUNTIES VERY SUCCESSFULLY. AND WE HAVE
7 BEEN OUT THERE GOING TO ALL THE PLACES THAT NO ONE ELSE DARES
8 TO GO AND REACHING OUT TO THE HOMELESS TRYING TO GET THEM TO
9 TAKE SERVICE AND TO TAKE SHELTER AND HELPING THE MOST
10 VULNERABLE. SO EVERYTHING WE HAVE BEEN DOING IS ABOUT
11 FULFILLING THE PROMISES OF WHY I TOOK THIS JOB, AND EVERYTHING
12 IS ABOVE THE BOARD AND SUBJECT TO INSPECTION. SO IF ANYONE, BE
13 IT THE C.O.C. OR THE O.I.G. WANTS TO DO THEIR JOB, BY ALL
14 MEANS, DO IT, AND ALL WE ASK FOR IS A FAIR AND OBJECTIVE
15 PROCESS. WE DON'T WANT POLITICS TO INTRUDE IN IT. WE HAVE A
16 FUTURE COURT DATE REGARDING THE SUBPOENA ISSUE WITHIN MY
17 PERSONAL OFFICE, AND THAT HAS NOT BEEN RESOLVED YET. ONCE THAT
18 IS RESOLVED, THEN WE CAN TALK ABOUT THAT. BUT IN CLOSING, I
19 WANT TO SAY THAT I HAVE AN OPEN DOOR POLICY. I WOULD LIKE TO
20 MEET WITH EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU PERSONALLY AND EXTEND A
21 GOOD WISHES TO MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHO DID A GOOD JOB AS A
22 CITY COUNCILMAN, AND I WANT TO, LAST BUT NOT LEAST, I WANT TO
23 ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO REMEMBER WHAT PRESIDENT-ELECT BIDEN
24 SAID, "LET'S STOP DEMONIZING PEOPLE. LET'S START WORKING
25 TOGETHER. LET'S FIND SOLUTIONS TOGETHER." THANK YOU.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SHERIFF VILLANUEVA. MADAM
3 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON
4 WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE ITEMS BEFORE YOU ARE ITEMS 1D-3D, 1P,
7 1, 2, 4, 5, 7-9, 11-13, 15, 17-22, 26-29, 31-53, 56-58. ON
8 ITEM 59, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE CORRECTION ACTION LINE
9 WHICH WAS CONTINUED, 61-64, 65B-65E, 65G-65I, AND 68 ARE
10 BEFORE YOU.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
13 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
14 WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

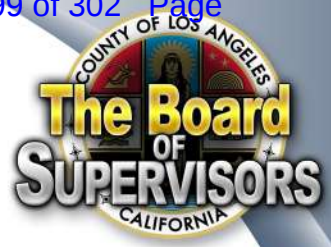
19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
21 THOMAS?

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

24



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OVERSIGHT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THAT WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR
2 SOLIS.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU ALSO TO
5 SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR COAUTHORING THIS MOTION JUST AS YOU DID
6 WHEN THE MOTION I AUTHORED BACK IN AUGUST. WHEN I PUT FORWARD
7 THE MOTION IN AUGUST, IT WAS VERY APPARENT THAT WE AS THE
8 BOARD NEEDED OUR COUNTY LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS TEAM TO ADVOCATE
9 FOR ASSEMBLYMEMBER MCCARTHY'S BILL, A.B.1185. AS YOU KNOW,
10 A.B.1185 WOULD ALLOW BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACROSS THE COUNTIES
11 IN CALIFORNIA TO CREATE A SHERIFF'S OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND
12 INSPECTOR GENERAL. AND ADDITIONALLY THESE BODIES WOULD ALSO BE
13 GIVEN SUBPOENA POWER. THANKFULLY, OUR GOOD GOVERNOR SIGNED THE
14 BILL INTO LAW AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER. AND AS YOU KNOW, LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY AND THE BOARD WERE PROACTIVE IN CREATING THE
16 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL IN 2014 AND THE SHERIFF CIVILIAN
17 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION BACK IN 2016 TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY AND
18 HOLD THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTABLE. AND DUE TO THE
19 INCREDIBLE HARD WORK AND PERSISTENCE OF THE COMMUNITY, I HAVE
20 TO GIVE THEM A BIG SHOUT OUT, ALL THE ADVOCATES, IN MARCH OF
21 THIS YEAR, THE VOTERS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ENHANCED THE
22 OVERSIGHT ABILITY COMMISSION OF THE COMMISSION BY GIVING IT
23 SUBPOENA POWER. THIS BOARD AND I HAVE CONTINUED TO KEEP
24 SHERIFF TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY AS A TOP PRIORITY. AND
25 I RECOGNIZE THAT OVERSIGHT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT IS A BIG PART OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PUBLIC SAFETY, AND I'LL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THESE OVERSIGHT
2 BODIES THAT THE BOARD HAS CREATED WITH THE COMMUNITY, AND I
3 WILL CONTINUE TO DEMAND THAT THE SHERIFF COMPLY WITH THE LAW
4 TO COLLABORATE WITH THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND
5 ALLOW THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL TO DO ITS JOB OF
6 CONDUCTING INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIONS. THIS MOTION IS ANOTHER
7 REFLECTION I BELIEVE OF OUR COMMITMENT. IN JANUARY 1ST, 2021,
8 A.B.1185 WILL BECOME LAW OF THIS STATE, AND L.A. COUNTY WILL
9 COMPLY WITH THE LAW. PUBLIC SAFETY, AS YOU KNOW, CAN'T BE
10 ASSURED IF LAW ENFORCEMENT IS ABOVE THE LAW. THANK YOU VERY
11 MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

12
13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

14
15 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. THANKS TO
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION AND INVITING ME TO
17 COAUTHOR IT. WE ARE ASKING OUR COLLEAGUES TO JOIN US IN
18 RATIFYING ALL OF THE ASPECTS OF A.B.1185, BUT IN AN
19 INTERESTING WAY, IT'S ACTUALLY THE OTHER WAY AROUND BECAUSE WE
20 WERE ALREADY DOING THIS, AND 1185 HAS INDICATED THAT, IF OTHER
21 COUNTIES WISH TO DO IT, TO RATIFY THE POWER. IT ALSO
22 UNDERSCORES THAT THE COUNTY ACTUALLY HAS THE SUBPOENA POWER
23 AND IS ABLE TO DELEGATE IT. AND THAT IS WHAT WE HAVE BEEN
24 SAYING, BUT IT DOES ADD ONE THING BECAUSE WE ALREADY HAVE A
25 CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, WE ALREADY HAVE AN OFFICE OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

2

3 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-
10 0.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** NOW WE ARE ON ITEM NUMBER 14.

13 COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC SAFETY REINVESTMENT PLAN. SUPERVISOR
14 SOLIS, YOU HELD THIS ITEM?

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR. WHEN 1.3
17 MILLION RESIDENTS OF LA. COUNTY OVERWHELMINGLY VOTED FOR
18 MEASURE R, THE CIVILIAN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND THE
19 JAIL PLAN INITIATIVE IN MARCH OF 2020, THE VOTERS SUPPORTED
20 THE TWO ITEMS THAT THIS MEASURE WOULD DO. AND THAT IS, ONE, IT
21 WOULD GRANT THE SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION SUBPOENA
22 POWER, TWO IT WOULD AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSION TO DEVELOP A PLAN
23 TO REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION AND INCARCERATION IN L.A.
24 COUNTY. THE COMMISSION HAS UNFORTUNATELY HAD TO USE THE NEWLY
25 GRANTED SUBPOENA POWER AGAINST THE SHERIFF IN MAY OF 2020 AS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE SHERIFF CONTINUES TO SHOW HIS CONTEMPT OF THE WILL OF
2 COMMUNITY THROUGH HIS DEFIANCE. THE SECOND COMPONENT OF
3 MEASURE R, HOWEVER, STILL NEEDS TO BE ACTUALIZED. THE
4 COMMISSION IN RESPONSE DID CREATE AN AD HOC COMMITTEE AS THE
5 COMMISSION TO RELEASE A REPORT TO THE PUBLIC AND TO THE BOARD,
6 A FEASIBILITY STUDY TO REDUCE LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S JAIL
7 POPULATION AND TO REINVEST JAIL SYSTEM COSTS IN PREVENTION AND
8 MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT INCLUDING A TIMELINE FOR RESOURCING
9 AND IMPLEMENTING STRATEGIES TO MEET THE GOAL. I UNDERSTAND
10 THAT THE TASK IS A LARGE UNDERTAKING, AND DUE TO THE
11 COMMITMENT OF THE BOARD THROUGH ITS EMBRACE OF THE CARE
12 FIRST/JAIL LAST APPROACH, SOME OF THE WORK MAY HAVE BEEN DONE
13 DUE TO THE BOARD CREATED ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION
14 INITIATIVE AND THE RECENT HIRING OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
15 OVER THE INITIATIVE. HOWEVER, WE STILL WAIT FOR A
16 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO BE DELIVERED AND IMPLEMENTED. SO THIS
17 MOTION WILL HELP US PROVIDE THAT TOOL TO ALLOW US TO MOVE
18 FORWARD AND PROVIDE FOR THE COMMISSION TO PROVIDE A REPORT
19 BACK TO US SO WE CAN FULFILL WHAT WE WERE ASKED TO DO BY THE
20 VOTERS. AND I WOULD ASK THAT THE DRAFT OF THE PLAN BE
21 INTRODUCED BACK TO US BY DECEMBER 8TH OF THIS YEAR IN
22 COLLABORATION, OBVIOUSLY, WITH THE VARIOUS CRIMINAL JUSTICE
23 PARTNERS, LIKE THE A.T.I. INITIATIVE, O.D.R. AND COMMUNITY
24 STAKEHOLDERS. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THEIR PUBLIC PRESENTATION
25 OF A STRATEGY ON THE DELIVERY OF THE VOTER-SUPPORTED PLAN BY



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SUP. HAHN: AYE. AYE.

2

3 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

4

5 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: AYE.

6

7 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-

8 0.

9

10 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NOW WE ARE MOVING ON TO ITEM

11 NUMBER 16. REPORT REGARDING OPTIONS FOR REMOVING THE SHERIFF.

12 THIS WAS THEY HELD BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

13

14 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND I

15 WISH TO THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR COAUTHORING THIS MOTION. I

16 WANT TO SAY THANK YOU ALSO TO THE WELL OVER 600 PEOPLE WHO

17 TOOK THE TIME TO MAKE COMMENT ON THIS ISSUE. TO BE CLEAR TO

18 EVERYONE THAT THE SHERIFF HAS THE CRITICAL RESPONSIBILITY OF

19 PROTECTING THE PUBLIC SAFETY. AND AS THE MANAGER FOR A LAW

20 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT IS THE LARGEST COUNTY IN THE NATION,

21 THE SHERIFF IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING SERVICES IN MORE THAN

22 40 CITIES AND OVER 100 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. MADAM CHAIR, IT'S

23 FAIR TO SAY THAT THIS EXPANSIVE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

24 OF THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTS THE EVERYDAY

25 LIVES OF COUNTY RESIDENTS. MAY I ASSERT THAT ACCOUNTABILITY



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 MATTERS. ITS ABSENCE CONTRIBUTES TO VIOLATIONS OF
2 CONSTITUTIONAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS. IT INHIBITS THE DEPARTMENT'S
3 EFFORTS TO MAKE PUBLIC SAFETY REAL AND/OR BELIEVABLE. AND TOO
4 OFTEN IT UNDERMINES THE RULE OF LAW, AN ESSENTIAL PART OF LIFE
5 IN A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY. IN PASSING MEASURE R, WHICH WE JUST
6 DISCUSSED THIS PAST MARCH, VOTERS OVERWHELMINGLY INDICATED
7 THEY WANT A SHERIFF WHO WAS ACCOUNTABLE TO MORE THAN JUST A
8 FOUR-YEAR ELECTION CYCLE, BUT DESPITE EXPANSIVE EFFORTS TO
9 INCREASE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE THROUGH OVERSIGHT OVER THE PAST
10 SEVERAL YEARS, ACHIEVING FUNDAMENTAL REFORMS REMAIN A
11 CHALLENGE, TO PUT IT MILDLY. SO TO ENSURE THE PUBLIC SAFETY
12 AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, THE COUNTY MUST THOROUGHLY
13 ASSESS ITS ABILITY TO HOLD THE SHERIFF ACCOUNTABLE AND EXPLORE
14 A FULL RANGE OF OPTIONS TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY. MADAM CHAIR
15 AND COLLEAGUES, I WISH TO MAKE REFERENCE TO AN ARTICLE THAT
16 WAS WRITTEN IN FEBRUARY OF 2014. I SUBMITTED THIS TO THE
17 HUFFINGTON POST. AND IT SEEMS TO ME TO BE APT FOR OUR
18 CONSIDERATION TODAY. PERMIT ME TO READ THE FOLLOWING. IN 1850,
19 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT WAS MOSTLY A
20 VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION THAT SERVED A POPULATION OF JUST OVER
21 3,000 PEOPLE. AND LOS ANGELES WAS REALLY WHAT MIGHT BE
22 DESCRIBED AS THE WILD WEST. THOUSANDS OF MEN WITH GOLD FEVER
23 WERE RUSHING INTO OUR NEW STATE. FUGITIVES FROM JUSTICE FOUND
24 CALIFORNIA A SAFE HIDEOUT. SHOOTOUTS AND DUELS WERE COMMON.
25 AND LOS ANGELES HELD THE DUBIOUS DISTINCTION OF HAVING THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 HIGHEST MURDER RATE IN THE NATION. THAT WAS IN 1850. FAST
2 FORWARD TO WHERE WE ARE TODAY, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AND
3 YOU'LL FIND THAT DESPITE THE EXPONENTIAL GROWTH IN THE
4 COUNTY'S POPULATION, NOW WELL OVER 10 MILLION IN CONTRAST TO
5 3,000, AND TREMENDOUS ADVANCES OF MODERN DAY POLICING, WE ARE
6 STILL BEHOLDEN TO WHAT COULD BE DESCRIBED AS AN ANACHRONISTIC
7 MODEL OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. WE HOLD A POPULARITY CONTEST FOR
8 ARGUABLY OUR MOST IMPORTANT LAW ENFORCEMENT POSITION. TRY TO
9 IMAGINE ELECTING A CHIEF OF POLICE, AND THEN WE ARE LEFT
10 WITHOUT A MECHANISM TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY AND TO HOLD THE
11 SHERIFF ACCOUNTABLE. THE RESULT IS THAT WE HAVE SOMETHING
12 WORSE THAN DEMOCRACY. WE HAVE THE ILLUSION OF DEMOCRACY, BUT A
13 REAL DEMOCRACY PROVIDES FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT. THE FRANCHISE IS
14 NEITHER THE BEGINNING NOR THE END OF CITIZENS' RIGHTS AND
15 RESPONSIBILITIES. IT MEANS IT IS A MEANS TO AN END.
16 FURTHERMORE, REAL DEMOCRACY PROVIDES A MEANS FOR CIVIC
17 ENGAGEMENT SUCH AS AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS OVERSIGHT PANEL
18 BECAUSE THERE IS AN EXPECTATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND
19 GUIDANCE. WHEN DEALING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, THAT MEANS A
20 CONSTANT DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE PUBLIC AND LAW ENFORCEMENT WITH
21 RESPECT TO CIVIL RIGHTS, TRANSPARENCY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY. IT
22 MEANS, THEN, THAT THE SYSTEM, AND I END THE QUOTE, THAT WE
23 HAVE LABORED UNDER IS NO LONGER USEFUL IN TERMS OF MODERN
24 POLICING AND STANDARDS OF ACCOUNTABILITY. THEREFORE, WE BRING
25 THIS ISSUE TO THE FORE HERE AND NOW. IT'S VITAL FOR THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 COUNTY'S RESIDENTS TO KNOW THAT THEIR PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS
2 HAVE BEEN HEARD. THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAVE
3 EXPRESSED THEIR VIEWS. THEY'VE DEMANDED MORE. AND IT'S MY
4 VIEW, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THEY DESERVE
5 BETTER. THIS DOES NOT SUPPLANT THEIR EXPRESSED VIEW AS IS MADE
6 CLEAR AT THE VOTING BOX. IT DOESN'T TAKE AWAY THEIR RIGHT TO
7 VOTE. IT ESSENTIALLY SAYS EXPLORE WHAT NEEDS TO BE IN PLACE
8 FOR OUR COLLECTIVE CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIALLY FOR THE
9 CONSIDERATION OF THE ELECTORATE. SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THIS
10 IS TIME FOR US TO MOVE THROUGH THIS DECADE OF WHAT HAS BEEN A
11 RATHER REMARKABLE DEGREE OF REFORM THAT HAS BEEN ADVANCED. IF
12 WE ULTIMATELY WISH TO MAKE SURE THAT PUBLIC SAFETY IS REAL IN
13 THE CONTEXT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, I BELIEVE WE HAVE TO HAVE
14 MORE ACCOUNTABILITY, MORE TRANSPARENCY AND THE EXPLORATION OF
15 HOW WE GET THERE THROUGH POTENTIAL REMOVAL OF THE SHERIFF
16 SHOULD IT BE DEEMED APPROPRIATE AND/OR THE VERY NOTION OF AN
17 APPOINTED SHERIFF OR LEAD LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RATHER THAN
18 ELECTED. MADAM CHAIR, THAT'S MY OPENING REMARKS. I'M OPEN TO
19 FURTHER DISCUSSION AND DEBATE ON THE MATTER. IT SEEMS TO ME
20 THAT IT'S CLEAR THAT THE TIME HAS COME FOR US TO MOVE FORWARD.
21 THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?
24



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. NORMALLY, I
2 WOULD SAY I'M VERY PLEASED TO COAUTHOR A MOTION, ETC., BUT
3 THIS IS A VERY DIFFERENT KIND OF MOTION. AND I THINK IT'S
4 IMPORTANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT NEITHER SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
5 NOR I NOR ANY OF THE OTHERS WHO HAVE CRITICIZED THE SHERIFF
6 TOOK ANY PLEASURE IN IT. IT HAS BECOME A SOMEWHAT OF A SAD
7 SITUATION. THE MEDIA CHARACTERIZES THIS AS SOME KIND OF, YOU
8 KNOW, STRUGGLE OR TIFF OR ARGUMENT OR WHATEVER BECAUSE I THINK
9 IT SERVES THEIR PURPOSE TO MAKE IT SOUND LIKE THERE'S, YOU
10 KNOW, CREDIBILITY OR IT'S SOME KIND OF A FIGHT ON BOTH SIDES.
11 IT'S REALLY QUITE DIFFERENT. WE HAVE HAD EXPERIENCE OF THIS
12 SHERIFF, THIS PARTICULAR SHERIFF, SINCE HE WAS ELECTED AND A
13 COUPLE OF SHERIFFS BEFORE HIM. AND WE ARE QUITE AWARE, EVEN
14 SOME OF US WHO WERE IN SACRAMENTO REPRESENTING VARIOUS PARTS
15 OF THIS COUNTY, OF THE ACTUAL GOOD BEHAVIOR IN WHICH A SHERIFF
16 CAN ENGAGE IN MATERIALS OF THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BOARD,
17 IN TERMS OF THEIR TAKING THEIR BUDGET SERIOUSLY, IN TERMS OF
18 BEING TRANSPARENT, IN TERMS OF, YOU KNOW, BEING FORTHCOMING.
19 UNFORTUNATELY, AND I REALLY MEAN THAT, THIS HAS NOT BEEN THE
20 CASE WITH THE CURRENT SHERIFF, EVEN TO THE EXTENT OF TELLING
21 THE MEDICAL EXAMINER CORONER NOT TO RELEASE THE RESULTS OF AN
22 AUTOPSY AND OTHER WAYS IN WHICH WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET
23 INFORMATION, WHERE SUBPOENAS HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE SHERIFF
24 AND SIMPLY BEEN IGNORED, OR WE HAVE BEEN CASTIGATED, YOU KNOW,
25 BY HIM IN HIS TWEETS. IT'S A PATTERN THAT ACTUALLY SOUNDS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 KIND OF FAMILIAR, BUT ONE THAT WE ACTUALLY HAD TO THINK ABOUT.
2 AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT THIS MOTION IS ABOUT AND WOULD
3 ENCOURAGE ALL MY COLLEAGUES TO THINK OF IT THAT WAY. WE ARE
4 NOT TAKING AN ACTION IN THIS MOTION. WE ARE ESSENTIALLY ASKING
5 IN A SITUATION WHERE THERE IS NO ADHERENCE TO THE TRANSPARENCY
6 NEEDED IN ORDER TO HAVE ANY KIND OF OVERSIGHT WHERE THERE IS A
7 FLOUTING OF SUBPOENAS, WHERE THERE IS A CASTIGATION, AND I
8 MEAN EVEN UP TO ENGAGING IN NAME-CALLING ON THE PART OF THE
9 SHERIFF, HOW IT IS WE CAN MAINTAIN OUR DUTY TO OVERSEE THE
10 BUDGET OF THAT DEPARTMENT, THE TREATMENT OF EMPLOYEES IN THAT
11 DEPARTMENT, AND THE SAFETY OF OUR CONSTITUENTS IN ALL FIVE
12 DISTRICTS. SO THIS SIMPLY SAYS WHAT ARE OUR OPTIONS, IF ANY,
13 FOR REMOVING OR IMPEACHING A SHERIFF. AND WE ARE NOT THE FIRST
14 COUNTY TO ASK THIS QUESTION. SECONDLY, TO REALLY LOOK AT
15 WHETHER IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA AND ONE THAT WOULD NEED TO BE
16 AGREED UPON BY ALL 58 COUNTIES, REALLY, TO LOOK AT HAVING AN
17 APPOINTED SHERIFF. THIRDLY, I FIND ACTUALLY THE MOST
18 INTERESTING, WHICH IS WHAT LEGISLATIVE CHANGES MIGHT BE
19 REQUIRED FOR US TO ESTABLISH OUR OWN MUNICIPAL POLICE FORCE?
20 EVERY OTHER OF THE 88 CITIES, THE ONES OF THOSE THAT HAVE
21 THEIR OWN POLICE FORCE, HIRE THE POLICE CHIEF AND GET TO
22 SUPERVISE THE POLICE CHIEF. IT IS NOT ELECTED IN ANY OF OUR
23 CITIES. AND SO IN OUR MUNICIPAL DUTIES, I THINK IT WOULD BE
24 INTERESTING TO EXPLORE WHETHER THAT MIGHT BE A BETTER IDEA FOR
25 US AS WELL AS OTHER KINDS OF SERVICES LIKE COURT SERVICES,



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ETC. SO I AGREED TO COAUTHOR THIS MOTION. AND I DO BELIEVE
2 THAT IT IS A VERY GOOD ACTION FOR THE BOARD TO KNOW AND
3 UNDERSTAND THESE KINDS OF OPTIONS AND AM PLEASED TO COAUTHOR.
4 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

7

8 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. SO IT'S NO SECRET THAT THIS
9 BOARD DOES NOT SEE EYE TO EYE WITH THIS PARTICULAR SHERIFF.
10 AND I DO HAVE TO POINT OUT IT'S NOT FOR A LACK OF TRYING
11 BECAUSE WE REALLY HAVE TRIED FROM THE VERY BEGINNING. IT SEEMS
12 LIKE THIS SHERIFF HAS ACTED LIKE HE'S NOT ACCOUNTABLE TO
13 ANYONE BUT HIMSELF. AND WE HAVE STEPPED IN. AND WE FOUND
14 OURSELVES STEPPING IN AGAIN AND AGAIN OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS
15 TO TRY AND DO WHAT WE CAN WITHIN OUR AUTHORITY TO ACHIEVE THE
16 KIND OF ACCOUNTABILITY THAT THE PUBLIC DESERVES. WE DO THAT
17 BECAUSE IT'S OUR JOB AS ELECTED OFFICIALS TO ENSURE OUR
18 COMMUNITIES CAN TRUST THE LAW ENFORCEMENT ENTITY THAT IS SWORN
19 TO SERVE AND PROTECT THEM. BUT ULTIMATELY, THE SHERIFF IS AN
20 ELECTED OFFICIAL, TOO. AND THE VOTERS OF L.A. COUNTY ELECTED
21 HIM FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM. THAT DOESN'T MEAN HE'S THERE TO
22 STAY. BEING AN INCUMBENT DOESN'T GUARANTEE ANYTHING, BUT
23 CURRENTLY THERE'S TWO WAYS THAT VOTERS CAN REMOVE THE SHERIFF.
24 THEY CAN RECALL HIM, OR THEY CAN VOTE HIM OUT WHEN HIS TERM IS
25 UP. THAT'S HOW DEMOCRACY WORKS. AND I, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 MY COLLEAGUES, I DON'T THINK IT'S OUR JOB TO REMOVE AN ELECTED
2 OFFICIAL. IF THE VOTERS WANT TO DO THAT, IT'S TOTALLY WITHIN
3 THEIR RIGHT. AND I ABSOLUTELY DON'T SUPPORT THE WAY THAT THIS
4 SHERIFF HAS DISMISSED THE PUBLIC'S CALLS FOR ACCOUNTABILITY,
5 TRANSPARENCY, AND REFORM. AND I HOPE HE WILL LISTEN SERIOUSLY
6 TO THESE CONCERNS INSTEAD OF JUST RESPONDING DEFENSIVELY. AND
7 I THINK THAT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE PUSHING FOR THIS MOTION, EVEN
8 THOSE WHO SPOKE DURING OUR PUBLIC COMMENT THIS MORNING, WOULD
9 HAVE A VERY STRONG CASE FOR RECALLING HIM SHOULD THEY CHOOSE
10 TO BRING THAT TO THE VOTERS. BUT, FRANKLY, I THINK THIS MOTION
11 IS UNNECESSARY. WE KNOW WHAT THE COUNTY CHARTER SAYS ABOUT OUR
12 SHERIFF. AND WE KNOW THAT IT'S NOT WITHIN THIS BOARD'S
13 AUTHORITY TO REMOVE AN ELECTED SHERIFF. IF WE WANT TO AMEND
14 THE CHARTER, WE KNOW WHAT IT TAKES. WE DON'T NEED A REPORT
15 BACK. WE JUST PUT MEASURE J ON THE BALLOT TO AMEND OUR
16 CHARTER, AND WE COULD DO THE SAME THING HERE. BUT WE ALSO KNOW
17 THAT THE PROCESS IS SLOW AND PROBABLY WOULDN'T EVEN BE DONE
18 BEFORE THIS SHERIFF IS UP FOR RE-ELECTION. I THINK WE'RE
19 BETTER OFF SPENDING OUR TIME USING OUR AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE
20 TO PUSH FOR TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND REFORM. AND IF
21 THE VOTERS WANT A NEW SHERIFF, THEY HAVE THEIR OPTIONS. AND I
22 WILL TELL YOU ALL COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA ELECT THEIR SHERIFF,
23 AS WE KNOW. IT'S PART OF OUR STATE CONSTITUTION, WHICH WOULD
24 BE SOMETHING WE WOULD HAVE TO CHANGE. WE ALREADY KNOW THAT.
25 BUT IT'S MY EXPERIENCE THAT IT IS VERY -- IT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 TO VOTERS TO TAKE AWAY A POSITION WHERE THEY HAVE HISTORY OF
2 ELECTING. THEY DON'T LIKE POLITICIANS TO TAKE THAT POWER FROM
3 THEM. IF THEY'RE USED TO ELECTING THE SHERIFF, THEY DON'T LIKE
4 THE FACT THAT WE'RE GOING TO REMOVE THAT FROM THEM. SO I'M
5 GOING TO VOTE NO ON THIS BECAUSE I DON'T THINK IT'S NECESSARY.
6 I THINK WE KNOW WHAT OUR OPTIONS ARE IF WE WANT TO CHANGE
7 THAT. BUT I THINK THE POWER LIES WITH THE PEOPLE. AND I THINK
8 THE PEOPLE WHO ELECTED THIS SHERIFF AND OUR UNHAPPY WITH THIS
9 SHERIFF SHOULD DO WHAT THEY NEED TO DO TO HOLD HIM
10 ACCOUNTABLE. AND THAT'S CALLED AN ELECTION. THANK YOU, MADAM
11 CHAIR.

12
13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

14
15 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I DON'T DISAGREE WITH
16 MY COLLEAGUES THAT THIS IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT
17 VOTES IN FRONT OF US TODAY. AND THAT HAS TO DO WITH THIS
18 SHERIFF OR ANY OTHER SHERIFF THAT WE HAVE HERE IN LOS ANGELES.
19 AND IT HAS BECOME APPARENT AND EVIDENT THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH
20 AN ELECTED OFFICIAL WHO HAS, IN MY OPINION, REFUSED TO
21 COLLABORATE AND COOPERATE, NOT JUST WITH THE THE BOARD, BUT
22 ALSO WITH OTHER ENTITIES, OUR INSPECTOR GENERAL, OUR CIVILIAN
23 OVERSIGHT, A DISRESPECT FOR OUR OWN DIRECTORS AND C.E.O.S FOR
24 L.A COUNTY. YOU KNOW, I'M TROUBLED BY SOME OF THE STATEMENTS
25 THAT HE'S MADE. I UNDERSTAND THAT HE WANTS TO TRY TO MAKE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SHERIFF CONTINUES TO IMPEDE AND THWART ANY RESEMBLANCE OF
2 OVERSIGHT OR INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIONS INTO THEIR OPERATIONS.
3 AND THERE IS RECENT RESEARCH BACKED BY TRENDS SHOWING THAT THE
4 UNCHECKED POWER OF THE SHERIFF IS BECOMING MORE PROBLEMATIC
5 AND TROUBLING. WHAT WE END UP SEEING AND WHAT WE'RE DEALING
6 WITH NOW IS SOMEONE WITH A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF POWER AND NO
7 ACCOUNTABILITY WITH HOW THAT POWER IS UTILIZED. WE SHOULD NOT
8 FEEL BOUND TO CONTINUE A HISTORY OF ELECTING SHERIFFS IF IT'S
9 NOT ALIGNING WITH ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY. AND IT'S
10 UNFORTUNATE THAT WE'RE AT THIS IMPASSE NOW. AND WE'VE HEARD
11 CALLS FOR HIS RESIGNATION FROM THE COMMUNITY AND RECENTLY THE
12 CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. AND WE KNOW -- WE ALL KNOW THAT
13 THIS IS NOT A DECISION THAT IS GOING TO BE LIGHTLY TAKEN, BUT
14 I HAVE COME TO THIS DECISION IN THIS MANNER. AND I WOULD LIKE
15 TO PRESENT THIS FOR CONSIDERATION. AND IT'S AN AMENDMENT. AND
16 I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE COUNTY COUNSEL REPORT BACK IN WRITING AND
17 PRESENT TO THE BOARD THE OPTIONS AT THE FIRST BOARD MEETING ON
18 JANUARY 5TH OF 2021. THE AMENDED LANGUAGE WOULD READ AS
19 FOLLOWS. INSTRUCT ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL IN CONJUNCTION WITH
20 THE INSPECTOR GENERAL AND ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IN
21 CONSULTATION WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
22 COMMISSION AND JUSTICE ADVOCATES TO REPORT BACK IN WRITING AND
23 PRESENT TO THE BOARD AT THE FIRST BOARD MEETING ON JANUARY
24 5TH, 2021. AND THEN THE REST, ADD THE REST OF THE DIRECTIVES.
25 IT'S IMPORTANT TO ME TO MAKE SURE THAT OPTIONS ARE SHARED WITH



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE BOARD AND WITH THE PUBLIC IN COMMUNITY AND OPEN PUBLIC
2 SPACE, BUT ALSO THAT THE VOTERS OF LOS ANGELES HAVE ALSO
3 RECENTLY VOTED TO ALLOW FOR A FIFTH WOMAN TO JOIN THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS. AND WHAT THIS REPORT BACK WILL BE ABLE TO DO IS
5 HELP ADVISE THE NEW BOARD, THE NEW RECONVENING BOARD, THAT I
6 THINK WILL ALSO COME PERHAPS TO THE SAME CONCLUSIONS BUT BE
7 ABLE TO LOOK AT WHAT OPTIONS ARE THERE. AND BY WAITING FOR THE
8 REPORT BACK AND ACCOMPANYING PRESENTATION FROM THE COUNTY
9 COUNSEL ON JANUARY 5TH OF 2021, WE'LL BE ABLE TO DO SO WITH
10 OUR SUPERVISOR-ELECT HOLLY MITCHELL OF SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
11 2 AS A PART OF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I THINK
12 THAT MOVING AHEAD, WE WILL ALL BE ABLE TO WORK, I HOPE,
13 TOGETHER, BUT GIVEN THE PRIVILEGES THAT WE HAVE, I ALSO THINK
14 IT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE ARE GOING TO BE CONSTRUCTING A NEW
15 BOARD AND TO HAVE THAT VOICE ALSO HEARD AS WELL AS THE VOICE
16 OF OUR COMMUNITY I THINK PROVIDES BETTER, BETTER TRANSPARENCY
17 FOR ALL OF US. SO I WOULD ASK IF THE AUTHOR AND COAUTHOR WOULD
18 ACCEPT THAT FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

19
20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I JUST HAVE TO SAY THIS IS A
21 VERY INTERESTING PLACE FOR US ALL TO BE IN CONCERNING WORKING
22 RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE SHERIFF. SHERIFF
23 VILLANUEVA IS INDEPENDENTLY ELECTED, AND THERE HAS BEEN MANY
24 SHERIFFS BEFORE HIM, AND THERE WILL BE CERTAINLY MANY MORE WHO
25 WILL FOLLOW. I WILL SAY IT AGAIN. WE CANNOT MAKE LONG TERM



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 POLICY POLICY DECISIONS BASED UPON THE SHORT-TERM
2 PERSONALITIES THAT BE. I WILL ALSO STATE AGAIN I DO BELIEVE
3 THAT THE ACTIONS OF THE CURRENT SHERIFF AND THE RELATIONSHIP
4 WITH THIS BOARD HAVE BEEN TO THE DETRIMENT OF OUR DEPUTIES ON
5 THE LINE, WHO ARE SERVING ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES EACH AND
6 EVERY DAY. I DO NOT SUPPORT MANY OF THE ACTIONS AND HAVE HAD
7 SIGNIFICANT CONCERNS WITH HIS ABILITY TO APPROPRIATELY LEAD
8 OUR SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT, BUT I DO SUPPORT THE OFFICE. AND MORE
9 IMPORTANTLY, I SUPPORT OUR PERSONNEL. AS I STATED BEFORE, THE
10 VOTERS MADE THEIR DECISION IN 2018. AND THEY WILL HAVE ANOTHER
11 OPPORTUNITY IN 2022 UNLESS THERE'S A COMMUNITY-LED EFFORT TO
12 VACATE THAT SEAT PRIOR TO THE NEXT ELECTION CYCLE. I ENCOURAGE
13 THIS SHERIFF TO BE TRANSPARENT AND COLLABORATIVE WITH THE
14 O.I.G. AND THE C.O.C. AND I AM GOING TO TAKE HIM UP ON HIS
15 OFFER TO MEET AND MOVE FORWARD TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THE
16 DEPARTMENT, ESPECIALLY AS IT RELATES TO TRANSPARENCY. OUR
17 COMMUNITIES, AND I'M HEARING FROM THEM LOUD AND CLEAR, ARE
18 SICK OF HEARING ABOUT THE DISAGREEMENTS AND THEY'RE FED UP AS
19 BEING USED AS A PAWN. I LOOK TO THE ALTADENA SHERIFF'S
20 STATION. I LOOK TO THE MARINA DEL REY SHERIFFS STATION. I LOOK
21 TO OUR PARKS BUREAU. I LOOK TO THE H.O.S.T. TEAMS. EACH ONE OF
22 THEM, AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER, HAS BEEN PUT ON THE CHOPPING
23 BLOCK NOT BASED ON WHAT IS RIGHT BUT BASED ON REACTIONS TO
24 SOME OF THE THINGS THAT THIS SHERIFF PERCEIVES OUR BOARD HAS
25 DONE. WE CANNOT CONTINUE RELATIONS AS THEY CURRENTLY EXIST,



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 AND THAT IS VERY CLEAR. OUR COMMUNITIES DESERVE BETTER
2 REPRESENTATION. WE ARE ELECTED TO COLLABORATE AS SERVANTS OF
3 THE PUBLIC. AND I FOR ONE, AND I TOLD THE SHERIFF THIS FROM
4 DAY ONE, WHILE I DIDN'T ENDORSE HIM, IT DOES NOT MEAN I WOULD
5 NOT WORK WITH HIM. AND IF I DIDN'T WORK WITH PEOPLE THAT DID
6 NOT ENDORSE ME WHEN I FIRST RAN, I WOULD NOT BE REPRESENTING
7 MY CONSTITUENCY. HE NEEDS TO RECOGNIZE THAT WE, AS ELECTEDS,
8 ALL ARE IN THIS TOGETHER. AND WE HAVE A DUTY AND OBLIGATION.
9 AND I BELIEVE THAT WHILE THIS MOTION, I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU
10 SAID, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REGARDING OPPORTUNITIES AND ALL, I
11 BELIEVE THIS MOTION IS BASED MORE ON PERSONALITY AND NOT BASED
12 ON NEED. AND I'M CONFIDENT -- AND I TRUST OUR VOTERS AS I DID.
13 I DID NOT ENDORSE MEASURE J, BUT I HONOR THE FACT THAT MEASURE
14 J PASSED BASED ON THE WILL OF THE VOTERS. AND I WILL DO THE
15 SAME AS IT RELATES TO AN ELECTED SHERIFF. IF THE VOTERS
16 BELIEVE THAT THE INDIVIDUAL THAT THEY VOTE FOR IS THE
17 APPROPRIATE INDIVIDUAL, I WILL SUPPORT WHOMEVER RECEIVES THE
18 MOST VOTES. SO I, TOO, AM GOING TO BE VOTING NO ON THIS. I
19 APPRECIATE WHAT YOU ALL ARE SAYING, BUT I JUST BELIEVE THAT
20 THIS IS UNNECESSARY AND, QUITE FRANKLY, UNDERMINES THE VERY
21 DEMOCRACY THAT WE HAVE IN PLACE, ESPECIALLY AS ELECTED
22 OFFICIALS MOVING FORWARD. SO WITH THAT, WE HAVE A MOTION
23 BEFORE US. AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU ACCEPT
24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S AMENDMENT?

25

EXHIBIT 55



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021 ON PAGE 241]

3
4
5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO THE
6 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, JANUARY 26TH, 2021. OUR MEETING
8 IS BEING HELD REMOTELY, DUE TO THE CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH
9 CRISIS, TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. BEFORE WE BEGIN, I'D
10 LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT OF PRIVILEGE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE
11 A NEW PRESIDENT, JOE BIDEN, ALONG WITH CALIFORNIA'S VERY OWN
12 VICE PRESIDENT, KAMALA HARRIS, WHO, AS WE KNOW, WAS
13 INAUGURATED THIS LAST WEEK. I AM VERY, VERY HOPEFUL AND
14 CONFIDENT THAT WITH THE NEW ADMINISTRATION, THE NATIONAL
15 C.O.V.I.D. RESPONSE WILL BE SUBSTANTIALLY IMPROVED, ESPECIALLY
16 IN REGARD TO THE VACCINE ROLLOUT. THIS IS INDEED A NEW DAY FOR
17 THE NATION AND FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE HAVE MUCH WORK TO DO
18 AHEAD OF US, BUT WE CAN NOW COUNT ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S
19 SUPPORT, WHICH WILL BE IMMENSELY HELPFUL IN OUR EFFORTS AS WE
20 MOVE FORWARD. I WILL NOW TAKE THE ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM
21 ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME
22 IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

23
24 **SUP. MITCHELL:** PRESENT.
25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

2

3 **SUP. KUEHL:** HERE.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

6

7 **SUP. HAHN:** HERE.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** HERE.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

14

15 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** PRESENT.

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL?

18

19 **RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA:** I'M HERE.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE

22 BOARD?

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL
2 BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS SEPARATELY FOR REGULAR
3 AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS DURING TODAY'S MEETING.
4 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD HAS RECEIVED OVER 3,300
5 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND, AS THOSE
6 WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO
7 THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE
8 BROWN ACT'S REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WITTEN
9 PUBLIC COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART
10 OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
11 THE AGENDA.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
14 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTER,
15 11:00 A.M. ITEM S-1 IS A DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER
16 RELATED TO C.O.V.I.D.-19. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR
17 DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 3, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS. THIS IS THE
18 AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ITEM
19 2-D IS A RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN
20 INTENT FOR THE SALVATION ARMY PASADENA HOPE CENTER FOR A LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVED ASSIGNEE TO
22 UNDERTAKE BOND FINANCING IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21
23 MILLION TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE
24 PASADENA HOPE CENTER, LOCATED AT 1000 EAST WALNUT STREET IN
25 THE CITY OF PASADENA. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 37-D,



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AS AN ADDITION. ON PAGE
2 4, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE
3 DISTRICT. ON PAGE 5, PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7. THESE
4 ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE 9, CONSENT CALENDAR,
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 8 THROUGH 27. ON ITEM 9, SUPERVISOR
6 KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
7 FEBRUARY 9TH, 2021. ON ITEM 11, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT
8 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 12, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
9 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 13, SUPERVISOR
10 KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE.
11 ON ITEM 24, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
12 ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE
13 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 26, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS
14 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 22, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS,
15 ITEMS 28 THROUGH 39. ON ITEM 28, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
16 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO MARCH 23, 2021. ON
17 ITEM 32, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR A REPORT. ON ITEM 28, THIS
18 INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE
19 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
20 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 37-A, SUPERVISOR
21 HAHN AND SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUEST TO REVISE DIRECTIVE NUMBER
22 3 OF THE MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER,
23 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, TO
24 COORDINATE AND EXECUTE AN M.O.U. AND/OR OTHER NECESSARY
25 AGREEMENTS WITH CITIES AND/OR OTHER AGENCIES IN THE COUNTY TO



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY. WE KNOW THAT. YEAH, THANK YOU.
2 OKAY. SO OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS HAS ENDED. THANK YOU,
3 ALL THAT CALLED IN. AND AS A REMINDER, IF YOU WERE UNABLE TO
4 PROVIDE COMMENTS, YOU MAY SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS, AS
5 INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL
6 YOUR WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THIS MEETING, WHICH
7 WILL ALL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. AT THIS TIME, I WANTED TO
8 RECOGNIZE SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE
9 BOARD ON ITEM 32. SHERIFF WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES. HE CAN
10 BEGIN.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE SHERIFF IS NOT ON THE LINE.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THE SHERIFF IS NOT ON THE LINE. WE
15 DID ACCOMMODATE HIM, AND WE'RE CLEAR THAT HE HAD THREE MINUTES
16 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. OKAY, VERY GOOD. LET'S MOVE ON, THEN.
17 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM
18 NUMBERS. OH, EXCUSE ME. OH. OKAY. SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, ARE YOU
19 PRESENT?

20

21 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YEAH, I'M TRYING TO UNMUTE MYSELF HERE.
22 ALL RIGHT.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE CAN HEAR YOU. GO AHEAD. THANK YOU.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** ALL RIGHT. SORRY. I AM ON THE ROAD HERE.

2

3 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY.

4

5 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** BUT REAL QUICK, L.A. COUNTY IS FACING NOT

6 ONE, BUT TWO LIFE-THREATENING EPIDEMICS. ONE IS A SILENT

7 KILLER, HAVING CLAIMED MORE THAN 15,000 RESIDENTS, AND

8 INFECTED MORE THAN A MILLION. THE PAIN AND SUFFERING OF THOSE

9 WHO HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES TO C.O.V.I.D.-19 IS AMPLIFIED BY

10 THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE TO GUN VIOLENCE. HOMICIDE

11 RATES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHOT UP 36 PERCENT IN 2020, AND,

12 FOR THE FIRST THREE WEEKS OF 2021, ROSE AN ASTONISHING 162

13 PERCENT. THIS IS ALMOST ONE LIFE LOST EVERY DAY TO VIOLENCE IN

14 OUR COMMUNITIES, AND THE CHALLENGES FACING MY DEPARTMENT ARE

15 UNHEARD OF IN PAST ADMINISTRATIONS. THE WELL-FUNDED AND

16 COORDINATED NATIONAL EFFORT TO DELEGITIMIZE THE ENTIRE

17 PROFESSION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ONLY ADDS FUEL TO THE FIRE OF

18 THE RISING VIOLENCE SEEN IN OUR COMMUNITIES. ALL THOSE WHO

19 JUMP AT THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONDEMN DEADLY USES OF FORCE,

20 WITHOUT KNOWING THE FACTS, ONLY SERVE TO INCREASE THE

21 LIKELIHOOD OF VIOLENT ENCOUNTERS BETWEEN ARMED SUSPECTS AND

22 DEPUTIES IN THE FIELD, AS WE WITNESSED IN THE COMPTON AMBUSH

23 LAST YEAR. IN SPITE OF THE WORN-OUT ACCUSATIONS OF BEING

24 AGAINST TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY, I CAN SAY BEING

25 SHERIFF IS ALL ABOUT DOING BOTH, WHILE PRESERVING THE RIGHTS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OF ALL. IT IS A DELICATE BALANCE BETWEEN PUBLIC DEMANDS FOR
2 TRANSPARENCY AND THE NEED TO PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF
3 INVESTIGATIONS THAT OFTEN ARE IN THEIR INFANCY. OKAY, NOW...
4 COMPROMISING THE INTEGRITY OF AN INVESTIGATION, SUCH AS DEADLY
5 USE OF FORCE, WILL COME BACK TO HAUNT THE VERY PEOPLE WHO
6 CLAMOR FOR JUSTICE TO BE SERVED. IT WOULD ALSO DAMAGE BOTH THE
7 ABILITY OF A PROSECUTOR TO SUCCEED IN THEIR CASE IN COURT, AND
8 THE ABILITY OF THE COUNTY TO DEFEND ITSELF AGAINST LAWSUITS.
9 WHEN I ANNOUNCED THE NEW POLICY [INAUDIBLE] SUBGROUPS,
10 [INAUDIBLE] INSPECTOR GENERAL AND THE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION
11 [INAUDIBLE], AS WE ENFORCE IT MOVING FORWARD. ALL PREVIOUS
12 SHERIFFS TOOK A PASS AT THIS PROBLEM, WHICH HAS ALWAYS BEEN
13 LONG ON PERCEPTION AND PRECIOUSLY SHORT ON SUPPORTING FACTS.
14 NOW, MOVING FORWARD, WE ARE WORKING ON IMPROVING OUR
15 INVESTIGATIVE PROTOCOLS IN CRITICAL INCIDENTS, AND AFFIRMING
16 OUR UNWAVERING SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME. WE ARE REACHING
17 OUT TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE TO SEEK AUTHORIZATION TO USE OUR
18 PARAMEDICS AND E.M.T.S, AND CREATE A ROBUST PLAN TO VACCINATE
19 THE HOMELESS POPULATION. I WANT TO THANK ALL THE SUPERVISORS
20 WHO MET WITH ME OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS, AND IN PARTICULAR
21 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SHE HAS THE DISTINCTION OF BEING THE VERY
22 FIRST SUPERVISOR FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT WHO HAS AGREED TO
23 MEET WITH ME SINCE I TOOK OFFICE IN 2018. IN CLOSING, I WILL
24 SAY THAT THE PRESIDENT'S INAUGURAL SPEECH MADE A VERY
25 IMPORTANT POINT IN DRIVING HOME THE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 TOWARDS A COMMON CAUSE. HE SPOKE OF DEFEATING LIES AND
2 DEFENDING THE TRUTH. I'M HERE TO DO BOTH, AS IS EVERY MEMBER
3 OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AT THE END OF THE DAY, THE VOTERS
4 WILL WANT TO KNOW HOW WE SPEND OUR TIME AND ENERGY. PEOPLE ARE
5 TIRED OF POLITICAL ATTACKS AND SPIN. IT DOESN'T MAKE THEIR
6 LIVES ANY SAFER. THEY WILL BE MORE ENCOURAGED TO SEE US WORK
7 TOGETHER TO DEFEAT THE TWIN PANDEMICS OF C.O.V.I.D.-19 AND
8 VIOLENCE. FILE ITEM 32 WHERE IT BELONGS, AND COME JOIN ME FOR
9 THE CHALLENGES AWAITING OUR LEADERSHIP. THANK YOU.

10
11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SHERIFF. WE APPRECIATE
12 YOUR JOINING US. NOW WE WILL TURN TO ITEM NUMBER 5. MADAM
13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON
14 WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING.

15
16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE ITEMS BEFORE YOU ARE ITEMS 1-D THROUGH
17 2-D, 1-P, 8, 10, 12, 14 THROUGH 23, 25, 27, 29 THROUGH 31, 33
18 THROUGH 36, 37-A, 37-B AS AMENDED, 37-D THROUGH 37-F, 40
19 THROUGH 42.

20
21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY
22 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. MADAM EXECUTIVE
23 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

24
25 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 FUNDING AND PRO-BONO WORK FROM SEVERAL LARGE FIRMS, AND SEEK
2 FUNDING AS BEST AS WE CAN. WE BELIEVE THAT THESE ADDITIONAL
3 RESOURCES WILL ALLOW US TO DO THE JOB THAT WE'RE REQUIRED TO
4 DO UNDER MEASURE R. FINALLY, WE RECOGNIZE THE NEED FOR
5 SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC COMMENT AND ENGAGEMENT IN THIS PROCESS, AND
6 WE INTEND TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PUBLIC IS ENGAGED IN WHAT
7 WE'RE DOING, AND HAVE A GENERAL UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THE
8 COUNTY EFFORTS ARE, IN WHOLE. SO WITH THAT, I'D LIKE TO ANSWER
9 ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, BRIAN. I REALLY
12 APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO PRESENT THE REPORT. THE
13 MEMBERS HAVE EACH RECEIVED A COPY OF THAT REPORT, AND ARE
14 THERE ANY MEMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS? SEEING
15 NONE. SEEING NONE. THEN I WOULD MOVE THE ITEM, AND SECONDED BY
16 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO RECEIVE AND FILE THIS REPORT. HEARING
17 NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU, BRIAN.

18

19 **BRIAN WILLIAMS:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. MOVING ON TO ITEM NUMBER 32,
22 REGARDING THE OPTIONS FOR REMOVING THE SHERIFF. WE'LL NOW HEAR
23 FROM RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, OUR COUNTY COUNSEL.

24



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 BARGER, IN THAT ORDER SO FAR. OKAY. VERY GOOD. I WANT TO THANK
2 AGAIN THE AUTHORS OF THE MOTION, AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK
3 COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, THE
4 CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, AND ALL THE JUSTICE ADVOCATES
5 FOR THEIR WORK ON THIS VERY IMPORTANT REPORT. THERE HAVE BEEN
6 MULTIPLE ATTEMPTS TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY OF THE SHERIFF'S
7 OPERATION, AND TO HOLD THE DEPARTMENT AND THE SHERIFF
8 ACCOUNTABLE FOR MISCONDUCT AND EVEN HARASSMENT OF COUNTY
9 COLLEAGUES, LIKE OUR FORMER C.E.O., AND EVEN MYSELF. MUCH TO
10 MY DISMAY, WE HAVE HAD FALSE PRETENSES OF COLLABORATION AND
11 COOPERATION FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I'M AWARE THAT
12 SHERIFF VILLANUEVA ATTENDED THE LAST TWO CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
13 COMMISSION MEETINGS, WHICH I REMIND YOU WAS REQUIRED BY LAW,
14 GIVEN THE SUBPOENA THAT WAS ISSUED. BUT WE HAVE A LONG WAY TO
15 GO IN RESTORING OR ESTABLISHING THE TRUST OF COMMUNITY IN THE
16 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THAT IS THE SHERIFF'S RESPONSIBILITY,
17 BUT IT'S ALSO OURS, AS A BOARD. AND I WANT TO UNDERSCORE SOME
18 OF THE ACTIONS WE HAVE TAKEN THUS FAR, AND HOW MUCH THIS BOARD
19 HAS DONE TO ENSURE THAT ACCOUNTABILITY. NUMBER ONE, WE'VE SUED
20 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE'VE ALSO ESTABLISHED RESTRAINTS ON
21 THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET. WE'VE ESTABLISHED THE CIVILIAN
22 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.
23 AND WE-- IMPORTANTLY, THE VOTERS-- EXTENDED SUBPOENA POWER TO
24 THESE BODIES, EMPOWERING THEM SO THAT THESE ARE NOT JUST
25 OVERSIGHT BODIES IN NAME, BUT IN ACTION. ACCOUNTABILITY AND



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND I'D LIKE
3 TO THANK COUNTY COUNSEL FOR THIS INFORMATION. YOU KNOW, IT'S
4 MY UNDERSTANDING, PRIOR TO MY JOINING THE BOARD, THAT THERE
5 WAS A MOTION ASKING FOR THIS INFORMATION. AND THE POINT OF
6 TODAY'S PRESENTATION IS A REPORT BACK, WHERE INFORMATION IS
7 REALLY BEING SHARED, IN TERMS OF WHAT OUR LEGAL, IF YOU WILL,
8 OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO US. SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT, BASED
9 ON COMMENTS WE'VE HEARD IN PUBLIC COMMENT, THAT THE PUBLIC
10 UNDERSTAND THAT TODAY IS A REPORT BACK, AND THAT, IN THE
11 PROCESS OF THE WORKINGS OF THE BOARD, NO SPECIFIC ACTION WILL
12 BE TAKEN TODAY, BUT WE'RE ALL GLEANING INFORMATION. LIKE YOU,
13 MADAM CHAIR, THERE IS AN ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CALIFORNIA
14 ATTORNEY GENERAL, WITH REGARD TO HIS OFFICE INITIATING AN
15 INVESTIGATION. IT WAS ALARMING, TO SAY THE LEAST. AN
16 EMBARRASSMENT, QUITE FRANKLY. TO HEAR WORDS UTTERED SUCH AS,
17 QUOTE, "THEY WILL BE DETERMINING IF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
18 HAS VIOLATED THE LAW OR THE RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE OF L.A.
19 COUNTY." RECOGNIZING THAT THE SHERIFF AND HIS DEPARTMENT TAKE
20 AN OATH TO DO THE EXACT OPPOSITE WAS REALLY VERY, VERY PAINFUL
21 TO READ. FURTHER, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL STATED THAT THERE WERE
22 SERIOUS CONCERNS THAT ACCOUNTABILITY AND ADHERENCE TO
23 LEGITIMATE POLICING PRACTICES HAVE LAPSED AT THE DEPARTMENT.
24 AN INQUIRY INTO THE POTENTIAL PATTERN AND PRACTICE OF CIVIL
25 RIGHTS ABUSES TO THE RESIDENTS OF OUR COUNTY BY THE SHERIFF'S



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 DEPARTMENT IS SERIOUS, AND SIMPLY CANNOT BE IGNORED.
2 COMPLAINTS FROM THE COMMUNITY REGARDING EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE
3 AND DEPUTY-INVOLVED GANGS, WHICH HAVE PLAGUED THE DEPARTMENT
4 FOR DECADES, HAVE INCREASED IN THE WAKE OF THE FATAL SHOOTINGS
5 OF SEVERAL WELL-KNOWN NAMES HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. SHERIFF'S
6 DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTABILITY IS A CRITICAL PART OF MAKING OUR
7 COMMUNITIES SAFE AND UPHOLDING THE RULE OF LAW, AN ESSENTIAL
8 FEATURE OF LIFE IN A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY. ITS ABSENCE HAS
9 CONTRIBUTED TO THE INFRINGEMENT OF CONSTITUTIONAL AND BASIC
10 HUMAN RIGHTS, A STRUCTURAL BUDGET DEFICIT, AND DIMINISHED
11 PUBLIC TRUST AND CONFIDENCE, AMONG OTHER CONSEQUENCES. OUR
12 WORK IN STRENGTHENING THE OVERSIGHT AND TRANSPARENCY IS AN
13 IMPORTANT PART OF ENSURING THAT ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ENSURING
14 IT EXTENDS BEYOND A FOUR-YEAR ELECTION CYCLE. HOWEVER, THIS
15 WILL NEVER BE ENOUGH WITHOUT GOOD-FAITH COOPERATION AND
16 COLLABORATION FROM THE SHERIFF. AND IN THE ABSENCE OF THAT, I
17 BELIEVE WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO ACT. YOU KNOW, WHILE I
18 APPRECIATE THE SHERIFF ACKNOWLEDGING, WHEN HE PRESENTED TODAY,
19 THE FACT THAT HE AND I DID HAVE A MEETING, AND I APPRECIATED
20 SOME OF THE STATISTICS AND SOME OF THE DATA THE SHERIFF SHARED
21 WITH ME, TO BRIEF ME AS A PART OF MY ONBOARDING PROCESS, AS A
22 NEW MEMBER REPRESENTING THE SECOND DISTRICT, IT SHOULD NOT BE
23 ASSUMED THAT MY PERSPECTIVE OF HIS PERFORMANCE WAS CHANGED BY
24 A SINGLE MEETING, NOR DO I THINK HIS PERSPECTIVE OF MY
25 POSITIONS THAT I'VE MADE VERY PUBLIC, EVEN PRIOR TO ASSUMING



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THIS OFFICE, I DON'T BELIEVE HIS ATTITUDE CHANGED AT ALL,

2 EITHER. BUT, INDEED, A MEETING DID TAKE PLACE. SO, LET ME BE

3 CLEAR: THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S CRITICALLY

4 NECESSARY COOPERATION WITH THE LEGALLY MANDATED WORK OF THE

5 COUNTY'S OVERSIGHT ENTITIES. IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT THIS

6 DEPARTMENT RESUME REGULARLY SHARING REQUESTED INFORMATION WITH

7 THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL AND THE C.O.C., SO THEY CAN

8 PERFORM THEIR DUTY-- THE DUTIES THAT WE EXPECT OF THEM, AS A

9 BOARD, AND THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY EXPECT OF THEM. AND

10 THE ABSENCE OF SUCH COOPERATION ONLY SHOWS FURTHER DISTRUST,

11 AND DIMINISHES THE CONFIDENCE OF THE PUBLIC WE ALL SERVE, AND

12 MY CONFIDENCE, AS WELL. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO THE ATTORNEY

13 GENERAL OFFICE'S INVESTIGATION, AND I'LL BE MONITORING IT

14 CLOSELY. AND HOPEFULLY, WE WILL THEN HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO

15 REVISIT OUR OPTIONS FOR ENSURING A STRONGER AND MORE PERMANENT

16 SENSE OF DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTABILITY, ONCE THE ATTORNEY

17 GENERAL'S INVESTIGATION IS COMPLETED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,

18 MADAM CHAIR.

19
20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT, I'LL RECOGNIZE

21 SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

22
23 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I ECHO MANY,

24 MANY OF THE SENTIMENTS OF MY COLLEAGUE FROM THE SECOND

25 DISTRICT. AND, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE HAD A NUMBER OF FRUSTRATING



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 EXPERIENCES SINCE, MADAM CHAIR, YOU AND I HAVE ASSUMED OFFICE,
2 WITH THE CURRENT SHERIFF, AND I THANK COUNTY COUNSEL FOR
3 MEETING THE CHALLENGE OF THE MOTION TO IDENTIFY THE VARIOUS
4 CHOICES THAT WE HAVE. MOST OF THEM LOOK LIKE A HEAVY LIFT TO
5 ME, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THEY WOULDN'T BE POSSIBLE. I
6 ECHO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S COMMENTS TO THOSE WHO TESTIFIED
7 TODAY IN PUBLIC COMMENT, AS TO THEIR HOPES THAT WE WOULD DO
8 SOMETHING ABOUT THIS, THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO BRING A
9 MOTION RIGHT AWAY TODAY, HAVING BEEN PRESENTED WITH THESE
10 OPTIONS, BECAUSE MANY OF THEM REALLY REQUIRE US TO FULLY
11 DIGEST, I THINK, WHAT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE, AND ALSO THE VERY
12 LARGE PICTURE OF A COUNTYWIDE ELECTION TO CHANGE THE CHARTER,
13 A STATEWIDE ELECTION TO CHANGE WHETHER ALL SHERIFFS IN THE
14 STATE SHOULD BE APPOINTED OR ELECTED, OR EVEN GIVING A CHOICE
15 TO EACH COUNTY. SO THERE'S MUCH MORE, REALLY, TO THINK ABOUT.
16 BUT THE URGENCY IS REALLY THERE WITH THIS SHERIFF. JUST LAST
17 WEEK, THERE WAS ANOTHER INCIDENT WHERE YOUNG MEN WHO WERE JUST
18 SHOPPING IN A TARGET STORE IN WESTLAKE VILLAGE WERE ROUNDED UP
19 BY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES-- NATURALLY, YOUNG MEN OF COLOR--
20 BECAUSE OTHERS WERE COMMITTING A CRIME IN A DIFFERENT SECTION
21 OF THE STORE. AND THERE IS, QUOTE, "AN INVESTIGATION GOING
22 ON." BUT THERE WAS A POST BY THEIR SUPERVISOR THAT THEY HAD
23 ACTED APPROPRIATELY, WHICH WAS REALLY POSTED ABOUT FIVE
24 MINUTES AFTER THE INCIDENT. SO THERE WASN'T ANY INVESTIGATION.
25 THE POST WAS TAKEN DOWN, AND I ASSUME THERE'S AN



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 INVESTIGATION. BUT WE HEAR THAT SO OFTEN. AND THAT'S ACTUALLY
2 ONE OF THE REASONS WHY WE'RE HAVING INDEPENDENT HEARINGS ABOUT
3 THE DEATHS OF VARIOUS PEOPLE ALLEGEDLY CAUSED BY DEPUTIES,
4 INQUESTS, BECAUSE THE RESULTS OF SO MANY OF THOSE, QUOTE,
5 "INTERNAL HEARINGS" REALLY DOESN'T CUT IT. SO THERE IS A LOT
6 TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT, I THINK. AND I DO BELIEVE, AS
7 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL INDICATED, IT IS ONE OF THE DUTIES OF AN
8 ELECTED BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO LOOK AT THE CONDUCT OF OTHER
9 ELECTEDS IF AND WHEN THEY CROSS A LINE, EITHER OF CRIMINAL
10 ACTIVITY, OR INAPPROPRIATE ACTIVITY, OR INAPPROPRIATE
11 SUPERVISION. SO I WILL BE LOOKING VERY CLOSELY AT THESE
12 OPTIONS TO TRY TO FIGURE OUT WHAT CAN BE DONE. ONE THING THAT
13 COUNTY COUNSEL DIDN'T MENTION WAS AN OPTION OF REMOVING SOME
14 LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES FROM THE SHERIFF. WE COULDN'T
15 DO THAT IN TERMS OF THE JAILS WITHOUT STATE ACQUIESCENCE, BUT,
16 YOU KNOW, THERE IS ALWAYS THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE AN
17 INDEPENDENT POLICE FORCE FOR UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND I THINK
18 THAT'S ANOTHER ASPECT, THOUGH EXPENSIVE, THAT WE WILL SEE IN
19 HIS REPORT WE CAN LOOK AT. SO OUR THANKS TO COUNTY COUNSEL.
20 AND I LOOK FORWARD TO FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION OF
21 THESE MATTERS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

22
23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
24 NEXT, WE'LL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR BARGER.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, ROD, FOR THE REPORT. AS
2 MY COLLEAGUES KNOW, I REMAIN OPPOSED TO TAKING ACTION TO
3 UNILATERALLY REMOVE THE SHERIFF, OR CHANGING POLICIES TO
4 INSTEAD HAVE THAT POSITION BE APPOINTED. WE WERE EACH ELECTED
5 TO COLLABORATE AS SERVANTS OF THE PUBLIC, AND IT'S NOT WITHIN
6 OUR JURISDICTION OF THIS BOARD TO TAKE VOTING POWER AWAY FROM
7 THE PEOPLE. SHERIFF VILLANUEVA WAS INDEPENDENTLY ELECTED, AND
8 THE POWER LIES WITH THE PEOPLE OF L.A. COUNTY TO CHANGE THAT.
9 THERE HAVE BEEN MANY SHERIFFS BEFORE HIM, AND I'M SURE THERE
10 WILL BE CERTAINLY MANY MORE WHO WILL FOLLOW. AS I'VE STATED
11 BEFORE, WE CANNOT MAKE LONG-TERM POLICY DECISIONS BASED ON
12 SHORT-TERM PERSONALITIES THAT BE. THE VOTERS MADE THEIR
13 DECISION IN 2018, AND THEY WILL HAVE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY IN
14 2022, UNLESS THERE IS A COMMUNITY-LED EFFORT TO VACATE THAT
15 SEAT PRIOR TO THE ELECTION. I CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE THE
16 SHERIFF TO BE TRANSPARENT AND COLLABORATIVE WITH OUR OVERSIGHT
17 BODIES. AND NOW, WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL COMING IN, I WOULD
18 POINT OUT THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS THE ABILITY TO DO AN
19 INVESTIGATION, HAVE IT COMPLETED, AND THEN TAKE ACTION, IF
20 APPROPRIATE. SO, IN FACT, IF THERE IS ANY IMPROPRIETY OR
21 ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL CAN TAKE SWIFT AND
22 DIRECT ACTION, ONCE THE INVESTIGATION IS COMPLETED. I THINK
23 IT'S IMPERATIVE FOR THE WELL-FUNCTIONING OPERATION AND THE
24 COMMUNITY THAT THEY ARE DESERVING OF ACCESS TO THE INFORMATION
25 AND ANSWERS THAT THEY SEEK FROM THIS CURRENT ADMINISTRATION.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SO I'M OPPOSED TO MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS, BUT I ALSO
2 RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT, IN SOME WAYS, THE SHERIFF'S PUT US IN
3 THIS POSITION TO HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION LIKE THIS, BASED ON
4 SOME OF THE CONDUCT THAT'S BEEN PUT INTO PLAY. AND I WOULD
5 HOPE THAT MOVING FORWARD, ESPECIALLY WITH THE ATTORNEY
6 GENERAL-- AND I BELIEVE WHAT HE HAS PUT OUT, THAT HE WELCOMES
7 THIS INVESTIGATION AND IS GOING TO COOPERATE-- I THINK THAT IS
8 GOING TO SHED LIGHT ON WHAT IS GOING ON. SO WITH THAT, WHILE I
9 APPRECIATE, ROD, THE HARD WORK YOU PUT INTO IT, AND I THINK
10 THAT IT SHOWS THAT THERE ARE OPTIONS, I FEEL THAT IT
11 UNDERMINES THE VERY PRINCIPLE OF HOW WE ALL GOT ELECTED INTO
12 THIS OFFICE, AND I DO NOT SUPPORT IT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER BOARD
15 MEMBERS THAT WANT TO BE RECOGNIZED AT THIS TIME? OKAY. SEEING
16 NONE, AND HEARING NO OTHER COMMENTS, ITEM 32 IS BEFORE US.
17 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO
18 RECEIVE AND FILE. HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE THE
19 ORDER. MOVING ON, NOW, TO ITEM NUMBER 11. THIS IS NUMBER 38.
20 AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM SUPERVISORS
21 ON ITEMS NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA, TO BE PRESENTED OR REFERRED
22 TO STAFF OR PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA. AND I DO HAVE A SPECIAL
23 THAT I DO WANT TO RELATE TO THE BOARD AT THIS TIME. BEFORE WE
24 CLOSE, I WANT TO READ IN A MOTION THAT WILL BE BEFORE THE
25 BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED

EXHIBIT 56



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2 TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021, 9:30 AM

3
4
5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. BUENOS DIAS.

6 WELCOME TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES

7 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, MAY 4TH, 2021.

8 OUR MEETING TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY DUE TO THE CURRENT

9 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL NOW

10 TAKE ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC

11 AND RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

12 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL? SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

13
14 **SUP. KUEHL:** HERE, AND MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU!

15
16 **SUP. HAHN:** OH, I WAS GOING TO SAY THAT!

17
18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

19
20 **SUP. HAHN:** HA, I WAS GOING TO SAY THAT, SHEILA. I AM HERE, AND

21 MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU.

22
23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

24
25 **SUP. BARGER:** HERE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL? SHE'S NOT JOINED YET.
3 OKAY. FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL?

8

9 **ATTORNEY:** HERE.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
12 BOARD?

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL? AS INDICATED ON THE
17 POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS
18 DURING TODAY'S MEETING. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD
19 RECEIVED OVER 2,000 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S
20 MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF
21 THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR
22 CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE
23 WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS THROUGHOUT
24 THE MEETING WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD.
25 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1
2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. GOOD MORNING GOOD
3 MORNING MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA
4 WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2 SET MATTER 10:30AM. ITEM S1 IS A
5 DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO COVID-19.
6 THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 3, SPECIAL
7 DISTRICT AGENDAS, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES
8 COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ITEM 3D IS A RECOMMENDATION TO
9 ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO ISSUE MULTIFAMILY HOUSING REVENUE BONDS
10 OR NOTES BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN
11 THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20 MILLION TO FINANCE THE SITE
12 ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, AND DEVELOPMENT OF AN AFFORDABLE 50
13 UNIT MULTIFAMILY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT LOCATED IN THE CITY OF EL
14 MONTE. ITEMS 4D AND 5D, THESE ARE ADDITIONS AS INDICATED ON
15 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 5, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE
16 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON PAGE 6, CONTENT
17 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1-31. ON ITEM 1, THIS
18 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
19 ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUEST THAT
20 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 5, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT
21 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED
22 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
23 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
24 16, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THE ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER
25 BE ADDED TO DIRECTIVES NUMBER 1 AND 2. ON ITEM 26, SUPERVISOR



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 29, SUPERVISOR
2 HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 22,
3 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 32-73. ON ITEM 32, THE CHIEF
4 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
5 MAY 18TH, 2021 AS INDICATED ON THE OPPOSED AGENDA. ITEM 35,
6 COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THIS BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY
7 18TH, 2021 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM
8 38, THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH REQUESTS THIS BE CONTINUED
9 TWO WEEKS TO MAY 18TH, 2021. ON PAGE 48, THIS INCLUDES
10 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
11 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE
12 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON 71C, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT
13 DIRECTIVE NUMBER TWO BE REVISED TO DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
14 OFFICER TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITH RECOMMENDATIONS TO
15 MITIGATE ANY REVENUE SHORTFALLS FOR FISCAL YEAR '21 AND '22.
16 ACTIONS MAY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, FEDERAL AND/OR
17 IDENTIFICATION OF DISCRETIONARY FUNDS, AND ANY RECOMMENDATIONS
18 SHOULD PRIORITIZE AN EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF RESOURCES. THE
19 REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES AND ITEMS TO BE REFERRED BACK
20 THROUGH 71G ARE BEFORE YOU.

21
22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY
23 SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. THAT WILL BE THE
24 ORDER.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PAGE 49, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, THAT
2 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL
5 NOW HEAR FROM SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE
6 BOARD ON ITEM 5. SHERIFF, YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES, PLEASE
7 BEGIN.

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL:** MADAM CHAIR, THIS IS SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, JUST
10 LETTING YOU KNOW I'M HERE, I APOLOGIZE.

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. OKAY, THANK YOU.

13

14 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** ALL RIGHT, WELL, THANK YOU FOR THAT
15 GENEROUS AMOUNT OF TIME, THREE MINUTES, AND REGARDING ITEM 5,
16 PROTECTING SURVIVING FAMILIES FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT HARASSMENT
17 AND RETALIATION. THERE ARE SEVERAL COMMENTS IN HERE THAT YOU
18 ARE MAKING AS DECLARATORY THAT CONTEND HARASSMENT AND
19 INTIMIDATION BY L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE ONGOING
20 HARASSMENT ON AN ALMOST DAILY BASIS, L.A.S.D. DEPUTIES TRY TO
21 INTIMIDATE FAMILY MEMBERS WHO SPEAK OUT. I WANT TO TELL YOU
22 THAT THAT LANGUAGE IS REPREHENSIBLE. IT'S IRRESPONSIBLE. IT'S
23 PLACING OUR MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT AT GREATER RISK OF
24 CONFLICTS IN THE COMMUNITY, AND IT IS CREATING A FALSE
25 IMPRESSION THAT WE ARE ENGAGING IN THESE PRACTICES. WE DID A



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 VERY EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION ON THIS ISSUE BACK WHEN YOUR
2 OFFICE ACTUALLY BROUGHT IT TO OUR ATTENTION BECAUSE FAMILY
3 MEMBERS OF THE PEOPLE, THE NEIGHBORS THAT WERE IN THE VICINITY
4 OF THESE MEMORIALS, WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE HARASSMENT FROM
5 GANG MEMBERS THAT WERE LOITERING IN THESE PLACES. WE TOOK IT,
6 AND DID A VERY THOROUGH INVESTIGATION OF IT. YOU'RE PROVIDED
7 THIS INFORMATION. THE INSPECTOR GENERAL WAS PROVIDED THIS
8 INFORMATION, AND WE ASKED THE INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR ADDITIONAL
9 INFORMATION IF HE HAD ANY. HE OFFERED NONE. AND THIS IS VERY
10 IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND. SO WHEN YOU ARE MAKING THESE
11 DECLARATORY STATEMENTS, YOU HAVE NO FOUNDATION WHATSOEVER TO
12 MAKE THEM AND DISPARAGE THE GOOD REPUTATION AND DISCREDIT THE
13 LAW ENFORCEMENT, THE PROFESSION, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN
14 PARTICULAR, AND DELEGITIMIZING OUR EFFORTS IN THE EYES OF THE
15 COMMUNITY. THAT SERVES NO VALID PURPOSE FOR A PUBLIC AGENCY. I
16 WILL TELL YOU THIS, AND YOU TALK ABOUT TRAUMATIZATION AND RE-
17 TRAUMATIZATION, 96 MURDERS IN 2021. THAT'S A 130 PERCENT
18 INCREASE FROM LAST YEAR. 2,637 ASSAULTS WITH A DEADLY WEAPON,
19 A 15 PERCENT INCREASE FROM LAST YEAR. 261 RAPES, A 7 PERCENT
20 INCREASE FROM LAST YEAR. THAT IS TRAUMATIZATION AND RE-
21 TRAUMATIZATION. WE ARE WORKING HARD. OUR DEPARTMENT IS FOCUSED
22 ON VIOLENCE, SURGING VIOLENCE. WE ARE FOCUSED ON THE IMPACT OF
23 THE HOMELESS CRISIS THAT IS SPIRALING OUT OF CONTROL. WE ARE
24 FOCUSING ON THE PROLIFERATION OF LEGAL CANNABIS DISTRIBUTION -
25 - OR DISPENSARIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THOSE ARE THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PROBLEMS WE ARE FACING, AND THIS IS, UNFORTUNATELY, IT DOES
2 NOT CAST THE OPERATION SUPERVISORS IN A VERY POSITIVE LIGHT
3 BECAUSE THIS IS A FALSE NARRATIVE YOU ARE TRYING TO ADVANCE AT
4 THE EXPENSE OF THE MEN AND WOMEN THAT COMPRISE THE L.A. COUNTY
5 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND I AM GOING TO URGE YOU TO JUST
6 REJECT THIS ENTIRELY. IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION, EVERYONE HAS A
7 CELL PHONE CAMERA, IF SOMEONE IS BEHAVING BADLY, BY ALL MEANS,
8 RECORD IT AND PROVIDE IT TO US. AS WE SAW YESTERDAY, THAT SAN
9 DIMAS TRAFFIC STOP, IT WAS CAPTURED ON A BODY WORN CAMERA, AND
10 THAT IS ACTUALLY WHAT LAW ENFORCEMENT IS FACING IN TERMS OF
11 HARASSMENT. SO IF ONE OF THESE FAMILIES CLAIMS TO BE HARASSED
12 IN ANY WAY, BY ALL MEANS, LET US KNOW ABOUT IT, PROVIDE US
13 THAT CELL PHONE FOOTAGE. IF IT IS THAT PROLIFIC AS YOUR MOTION
14 SUGGESTS, IT SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND IT, YET WE HAVE NOT FOUND
15 A SINGLE INSTANCE OF IT. AND THAT IS VERY TELLING. SO I AM
16 MORE THAN HAPPY TO WORK WITH THE O.I.G. AND THE C.O.C. ON THIS
17 AND I'LL LEAVE IT UP TO YOUR DISCRETION.

18
19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE APPRECIATE IT. NOW,
20 WE WILL TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ALL AGENDA ITEMS. MADAM
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL IN INFORMATION THAT
22 WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES
23 TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE CALLING IN TO ADDRESS
24 THE BOARD.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 REPORT THAT WAS ISSUED, THEY CALLED NO JUSTICE NO PEACE. THE
2 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TARGETED HARASSMENT OF
3 GRIEVING FAMILIES. THEY SHARED SEVERAL EXAMPLES, HOWEVER, AND
4 I'D LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT WHAT HAPPENED TO THE FAMILY OF PAUL REA,
5 A FAMILY WHO VISITED MY DISTRICT, WITH ALL OF YOU, THAT WAS
6 REPORTED A LITTLE EARLIER BY THE FAMILY. AND THIS IS QUOTED
7 FROM THE REPORT THAT WAS ISSUED. IN OCTOBER OF 2019, PAUL
8 REA'S SISTER, JAYLENE, SPOKE PUBLICLY FOR THE FIRST TIME ABOUT
9 HER BROTHER'S MURDER AT THE HANDS OF L.A.S.D. AND LATER
10 ATTENDED A TOWN HALL HOSTED BY THE SHERIFF VILLANUEVA. LATER
11 THAT SAME EVENING, L.A.S.D. DEPUTIES FORCEFULLY ARRESTED
12 JAYLENE AT HER BROTHER'S MEMORIAL SITE WITHOUT PROBABLE CAUSE
13 THAT SHE COMMITTED ANY CRIME. AT AROUND 11:00 P.M., DEPUTIES
14 DROVE AWAY WITH JAYLENE IN THE BACK OF THE PATROL CAR AND
15 WOULD NOT TELL HER OR HER FAMILY WHERE SHE WAS BEING TAKEN OR
16 WHY SHE WAS BEING ARRESTED. THEY EVENTUALLY TOOK HER TO A
17 HOSPITAL. DURING THAT TIME, FOR NEARLY TWO HOURS, L.A.S.D.
18 PERSONNEL DID NOT PROVIDE JAYLENE'S FAMILY WITH ANY ANSWERS AS
19 TO TO WHERE SHE WAS CAUSING THEM EMOTIONAL DISTRESS AS THEY
20 FEARED FOR THE WORST. JAYLENE, LIKEWISE, DID NOT UNDERSTAND
21 WHAT WAS HAPPENING AND FEARED FOR HER OWN SAFETY. L.A.S.D.
22 DEPUTIES EVENTUALLY BROUGHT HER TO THE EAST LOS ANGELES
23 STATION AROUND 1:00 A.M. WHERE A.C.L.U. ATTORNEY -- AN
24 ATTORNEY WAS ABLE TO SEE HER. CLAIMING NO ONE ON STAFF AT EAST
25 LOS ANGELES STATION WAS ABLE TO RUN HER FINGERPRINTS. L.A.S.D.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SEVERAL HOURS ON A SATURDAY IN CONVERSATION WITH IMPACTED
2 FAMILY MEMBERS, FAMILY MEMBERS WHO SHOW COURAGE BEYOND THE
3 PALE IN TERMS OF SPEAKING OUT WITH REGARD TO THEIR
4 EXPERIENCES, SPEAKING OUT WITH REGARD TO THEIR DESIRES FOR
5 VERY REASONABLE INFORMATION AROUND THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT
6 SURROUND THE DEATH OF THEIR LOVED ONES. THIS IS A REPORT BACK
7 MOTION. AND SO, I LOOK FORWARD TO THE BOARD RECEIVING
8 INFORMATION THAT WILL EMPOWER US TO TAKE ACTIONABLE STEPS TO
9 CURING THIS SCENARIO. IT IS IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS
10 ACCOUNTABILITY OF MAKING SURE THAT ALL FAMILIES IN L.A. COUNTY
11 FEEL SAFE, FEEL SAFE IN THEIR OWN HOMES, IN THEIR OWN
12 COMMUNITIES. AGAIN, WE HAVE MET WITH TOO MANY MEMBERS OF OUR
13 COMMUNITY WHO'VE NOT ONLY HAD TO DEAL WITH THE GRIEF OF LOSING
14 A FAMILY MEMBER, BUT HAVE DESCRIBED HORRIFYING INCIDENTS OF
15 BLATANT HARASSMENT FROM THE VERY LAW ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATION
16 THAT TOOK THE LIFE OF THEIR LOVED ONE. I AM DISAPPOINTED BY
17 THE PERSPECTIVE SHARED BY THE SHERIFF IN HIS OPENING REMARKS
18 TODAY. AND I BELIEVE HIS COMMENTS REFLECT THE PERSPECTIVE
19 THAT THE FAMILY MEMBERS SHARE, THAT THEY ARE NOT HEARD, THAT
20 THEIR LIFE EXPERIENCES ARE NOT BELIEVED OR VALUED. AND THERE
21 ARE FAR TOO MANY OF THEM THAT WE HAVE HEARD FROM TO JUSTIFY
22 BELIEVING THAT IT IS NOT TRUE OR NOT ACCURATE EXPRESSIONS OF
23 THEIR EXPERIENCE WITH SOME MEMBERS OF THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT.
24 YOU KNOW, LOSING A FAMILY MEMBER AND THEN HAVING TO LIVE IN
25 FEAR OF RETRIBUTION FOR SPEAKING UP AND ASKING QUESTIONS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THAT THESE FAMILIES HAVE DESCRIBED BECAUSE IT IS TIED TO AN
2 ABUSE OF POWER BY PEOPLE WHO ARE SWORN TO PROTECT NOT HARASS
3 THEIR COMMUNITIES. AND YET, WE SEE DEPUTIES DRIVING BY SLOWLY,
4 THREATENINGLY, PARKING IN FRONT OF HOUSES, TAUNTING FAMILY
5 MEMBERS WITH RUDE COMMENTS AND LAUGHING AT THEM, DRIVING BY
6 MEMORIAL SITES WHERE FAMILIES ARE HONORING THEIR LOVED ONES,
7 DAMAGING ITEMS AT THOSE MEMORIAL SITES. TALK ABOUT JUNIOR HIGH
8 SCHOOL BEHAVIOR, AND I DON'T MEAN TO INSULT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
9 STUDENTS. DEPUTIES TARGETING FAMILY MEMBERS, AS THE STORY YOU
10 TOLD SHOWS, FOR ARREST. THESE ACCOUNTS MAKE IT VERY CLEAR THAT
11 THIS SHERIFF HASN'T DONE ENOUGH, HAS NOT MADE IT CLEAR TO
12 DEPUTIES ABOUT WHAT THEIR BEHAVIOR SHOULD BE AND SHOULDN'T BE.
13 THERE'S A FUNDAMENTAL LACK OF RESPECT FOR THESE FAMILIES, NOT
14 EVEN SEEING THESE FAMILIES AS HUMAN BEINGS. ONE COMPLAINT
15 RECEIVED BY THE O.I.G., FAMILY MEMBERS WERE CALLED ANIMALS
16 WHEN THEY WERE WAITING TO CONFIRM THEIR LOVED ONE'S IDENTITY
17 AT THE SCENE OF ONE SHOTTING. AND THESE DEPUTIES ALSO DO NOT
18 VALUE HEALING, THE VALUE OF COMMUNITY HEALING. OKAY, THAT
19 DOESN'T SURPRISE ME. EVEN IN THE STATEMENT HIS MORNING, THE
20 SHERIFF SHOWED THAT HE DOESN'T VALUE THE POWER OF HEALING AND
21 CARE. HE IS WAGING A CAMPAIGN, INCLUDING IN HIS MOST RECENT
22 NEWSLETTER, AGAINST THIS BOARD'S CARE FIRST VERSION, PORTRAYS
23 OUR FOCUS ON COMMUNITY CARE AND HEALING AS ANTI-VICTIM OR PRO-
24 CRIMINAL, LIKE YOU CAN'T GO AND GRIEVE THE DEATH OF YOUR SON
25 BECAUSE THE SHERIFF'S DEPUTY THOUGHT THEY WERE A CRIMINAL, AND



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 BLAMING SO CALLED PROGRESSIVE POLICIES, HIS WORDS, FOR RISING
2 CRIME RATES. IT IS OUTRAGEOUS. AND IN THE MIDST OF THIS FINGER
3 POINTING, I WOULD BEG OUR SHERIFF TO LOOK AT HIS OWN
4 DEPARTMENT, TO BE CRITICAL OF THE HARM AND DAMAGE HIS OWN
5 DEPUTIES ARE CAUSING IN OUR COMMUNITIES. FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO
6 CONCLUDE THAT A DEPUTY'S CONDUCT APPEARS REASONABLE IN THE
7 OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THESE CASES, SHOWS A COMPLETE
8 UNWILLING TO POLICE HIS OWN DEPARTMENT. SO, YES, I SUPPORT
9 THIS MOTION. AND, EMPHATICALLY ASK THE O.I.G., THE DISTRICT
10 ATTORNEY, AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO TAKE EVERY POSSIBLE MEASURE TO
11 HELP US, HELP US, HELP OUR COMMUNITIES DO OUR EFFECTIVE JOB OF
12 POLICING THE POLICE. I WISH IT DIDN'T HAVE TO BE SO, BUT IT
13 IS. SO I STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
14 MADAM CHAIR.

15
16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
17 SEEING THAT NO OTHER MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ANY COMMENTS,
18 ITEM 5 IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
19 MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
20 CALL THE ROLL.

21
22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 5 IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

23
24 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.
25

EXHIBIT 57



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2 TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021, 9:30 AM

3
4
5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I WOULD LIKE TO
6 WELCOME YOU TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, MAY
8 18TH, 2021. OUR MEETING TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY DUE TO
9 THE CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL.
10 I WILL NOW TAKE ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE
11 YOUR MIC AND RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR
12 MITCHELL.

13
14 **SUP. MITCHELL:** PRESENT.

15
16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

17
18 **SUP. KUEHL:** HERE.

19
20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

21
22 **SUP. HAHN:** HERE.

23
24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER:** HERE.

2

3 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL.

8

9 **ATTORNEY:** HERE.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
12 BOARD.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL
17 BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS SEPARATELY FOR REGULAR
18 AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS DURING TODAY'S MEETING.
19 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 2,100 WRITTEN
20 PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING. AND AS THOSE WRITTEN
21 COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE
22 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION CONSIST WITH THE BROWN ACT
23 REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC
24 COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OFFICIAL RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
2 AGENDA.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
5 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, SET MATTER AT
6 11:00A.M. ITEM S1 IS A DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER
7 RELATED TO COVID-19. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON
8 PAGE 3, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE
9 LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ITEM 1D IS A
10 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
11 OF A TAX EXEMPT AND TAXABLE MULTIFAMILY HOUSING REVENUE BOND
12 BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN AN
13 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$22 MILLION IN
14 TAXABLE EXEMPT BONDS AND \$12 MILLION IN TAXABLE BONDS TO
15 FINANCE THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF A 78 UNIT NEW
16 CONSTRUCTION SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROJECT LOCATED IN
17 UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES. ITEM 2D IS A RECOMMENDATION
18 TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TAX EXEMPT
19 MULTIFAMILY HOUSING REVENUE BOND BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
20 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO
21 EXCEED \$8,090,000 TO FINANCE THE SITE ACQUISITION AND
22 REHABILITATION OF A 38 UNIT DEVELOPMENT LOCATED IN THE CITY OF
23 AVALON AND CATALINA ISLAND. ON PAGE FOUR, THIS IS THE AGENDA
24 FOR THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON ITEM 1P,
25 THIS IS AN ADDITION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ON PAGE FIVE, PUBLIC HEARINGS ONE THROUGH SIX. ON ITEM 4,
2 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE
3 22, 2021, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE
4 REMAINING ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE EIGHT,
5 CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 7-38. ON ITEM 9,
6 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
7 AGENDA. ON ITEM 12, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON
8 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 13, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS
9 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED
10 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 14, THIS INDICATES A
11 REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 15,
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 20,
13 SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS TO BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE. ON
14 ITEM 26, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
15 ITEM 28, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
16 PAGE 32, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 39-59. ON ITEM 39, THE
17 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO
18 JULY 27, 2021 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 40,
19 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO
20 JUNE 8TH, 2021. ON ITEM 44, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES
21 REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 22, 2021 AS INDICATED
22 ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 45, THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL
23 HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 8TH, 2021
24 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 50, THE
25 INSPECTOR GENERAL REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 8TH,



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 2020 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 51,
2 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE
3 8TH, 2021 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON PAGE 44, THIS
4 INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA THAT WERE
5 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS
6 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 57C, SUPERVISOR
7 BARGER REQUESTED TO BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE. ON ITEM 57D,
8 SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 57E,
9 SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REQUESTS
10 FOR CONTINUANCES THROUGH 57H ARE BEFORE YOU.

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER, MOVED BY MYSELF AND
13 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 45, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. ON
16 PAGE 46, SEPARATE MATTERS. ITEM 61 IS A RECOMMENDATION TO
17 ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE
18 '21-'22 TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATED NOTES IN AN AGGREGATE
19 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1 BILLION. ON PAGE 47,
20 NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
21 AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, VERY MUCH. NOW, AT THIS TIME, IT
24 IS APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO HAS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 13 AND 19. SHERIFF
2 VILLANUEVA, YOU WILL HAVE 3 MINUTES, PLEASE BEGIN.

3

4 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WOW, AGAIN, THAT IS VERY GENEROUS OF YOU,
5 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FIRST, ON ITEM 13, I SHOULD NOTE THE
6 LANGUAGE OF THIS, EVEN ON THE INTRODUCTION ABOUT THE
7 DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT OF INCARCERATION ON PEOPLE OF COLOR, I
8 THINK THERE IS A DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT ON VIOLENCE -- IT
9 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTS PEOPLE OF COLOR. AND THAT'S A
10 REFLECTION OF THE CURRENT POPULATION BEING INCARCERATED AT
11 THIS TIME. AND YOU APPOINTED TWO AUDITS ALREADY PERFORMED BY
12 THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER REGARDING EXPENDITURE INMATE WELFARE
13 FUNDS, AND YOU ARE ALSO QUESTIONING THE FACT THAT I APPOINTED
14 THE INMATE WELFARE FUNDS. WELL, I'LL -- IF YOU WANT, I WOULD
15 BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO SHARE THE APPOINTMENTS OF INDIVIDUALS TO
16 REPRESENT THE COMMUNITY AND INMATE WELFARE FUND IF YOU TURN
17 AROUND AND SHARE THAT COMMITMENT TO APPOINT PEOPLE FOR THE
18 CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. I THINK WHAT IS FAIR IS FAIR.
19 CORRECT? AND YOU ARE MAKING A LOT OF REFERENCES ABOUT HOW OUR
20 EXPENDITURES ON THE INMATE WELFARE FUND, HOW IT COMPARES TO
21 OTHER CITIES OR OTHER SYSTEMS, OTHER STATES EVEN, BUT I DON'T
22 THINK THESE OTHER INSTITUTIONS ARE BEING DEFUNDED BY THEIR
23 OVERSEEING OR THEIR GOVERNING BODY, BE IT THE BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS OR A STATE. YOU ARE ACTIVELY DEFUNDING THE COUNTY
25 JAIL SYSTEM AND STARVING IT OF THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE PROGRAMMING, AND AS A RESULT OF THAT, WE ARE STUCK BETWEEN
2 A ROCK AND A HARD PLACE WITH PROVIDING PROGRAMMING WITH A
3 DIMINISHING AMOUNT OF RESOURCE TO PROVIDE THE PROGRAMMING AND
4 THE UPKEEP OF FACILITIES THEMSELVES. DEFUNDING HAS A COST, AND
5 UNFORTUNATELY, THE INMATE POPULATION IS PAYING THE COST OF
6 YOUR DEFUNDING EFFORTS. AND THAT'S GOT TO STOP. WE HAVE AN
7 OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE PROGRAMMING TO THE INMATE POPULATION.
8 AND THAT'S TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO WILL NOT BE DIVERTED, WILL
9 NOT BE RELEASED. THEY ARE IN OUR CARE AND CONTROL, AND WE HAVE
10 AN OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE THOSE REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, AND WE
11 CANNOT BECAUSE YOU ARE DEFUNDING THE OPERATION. IT'S PLAIN AND
12 SIMPLE. ITEM NUMBER 19, WE AGREE ENTIRELY, AND ACTUALLY WE
13 APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU ARE VOLUNTEERING TO ASSIST US
14 WITH A COMPLIANCE WITH THE NEW VERSION OF S.B.1421. OUR ONLY
15 RESERVATION IS THE FACT THAT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL CANNOT BE
16 PART OF THE PROCESS BECAUSE ONCE HE IS PART OF THE PROCESS, HE
17 CAN NO LONGER BE A MONITOR OR ATTEMPT TO EVALUATE WHAT HE IS
18 DOING BECAUSE HE BECOMES PART OF THE PROCESS. YOU CAN'T
19 EVALUATE YOURSELF. SO THAT IS JUST A LEGAL OBSERVATION. AND
20 OTHER THAN THAT, WE'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO DO AN AUDIT OF
21 EVERYTHING. IN FACT, LET'S AUDIT MEASURE J. LET'S AUDIT
22 MEASURE H AND ALL OF THE OTHER COUNTY PROGRAMS THAT IMPACT IN
23 ONE WAY OR ANOTHER THE INMATE POPULATION HOMELESS SITUATION,
24 WHICH IS BEGGING FOR ATTENTION. THANK YOU.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SHERIFF. WE WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC
2 COMMENTS FOR ALL AGENDA ITEMS, EXCLUDING PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS
3 1-6. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU READ IN THE CALL IN
4 INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA AND EXPLAIN
5 THE SPEAKING RULES TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE
6 CALLING IN TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS INDICATED ON
9 THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC
10 COMMENT SHOULD CALL 877-226-8163 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE
11 NUMBER 852761. TO REPEAT, PLEASE CALL 877-226-8163 AND USE
12 PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 852761. DO NOT CALL THAT NUMBER IF YOU
13 ONLY WANT TO LISTEN TO THE MEETING. TO LISTEN ONLY, PLEASE
14 CALL 877-873-8017 AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. TO MEMBERS OF
15 THE PUBLIC CALLING IN, WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, PLEASE
16 STATE YOUR NAME AND WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON.
17 YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK ON ONE AGENDA ITEM OR TWO
18 MINUTES TO SPEAK ON TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS. IN ADDITION,
19 THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD WITH GENERAL PUBLIC
20 COMMENT WILL BE PROVIDED ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE FOR A MAXIMUM
21 TOTAL UP TO 3 MINUTES PER PERSON FOR ALL AGENDA ITEMS,
22 INCLUDING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL ALLOCATE UP TO 60
23 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ALL OF THE ITEMS, EXCLUDING THE
24 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. IF THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS WAITING BEFORE
25 60 MINUTES HAVE LAPSED, WE WILL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OUNCE BAG OF INSTANT COFFEE IS \$7.47, BUT THE COST TO THE
2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS \$3.51, WHICH IS A 47% MARK UP. THE
3 SALE OF A PACKET OF BEEF RAMEN IS \$1.15, BUT THE COST TO THE
4 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS 55 CENTS IN ADDITION, WHICH IS ABOUT A
5 48% MARK UP. HYGIENE ITEMS ARE ALSO SIGNIFICANTLY MARKED UP
6 SUCH AS A SALE PRICE OF A BAR OF IRISH SPRING SOAP, WHICH
7 RETAILS FOR \$1.45, BUT THE COST TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS
8 AN ADDITIONAL 68 CENTS, WHICH IS A 47% MARK UP. AND THEN
9 LASTLY, THE SALE PRICE OF A FRESH MINT TOOTHPASTE IS \$2.16,
10 BUT THE COST TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS \$1.02, WHICH IS A
11 47% MARK UP. AND SO I ASK, WHAT HAPPENS TO THE REVENUE AND THE
12 PROFITS. THE CONTRACT PROVIDES FOR AN ANNUAL GUARANTEE OF 15
13 MILLION IN THE INMATE WELFARE FUND AND ABOUT 59,000 INTO THE
14 JUVENILE INSTITUTION SERVICES BUDGET. THESE FUNDS ARE THEN
15 SUPPOSED TO BE USED FOR THE BENEFIT, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE OF
16 THE INMATES CONFINED WITHIN THE JAIL, AND STATE LAW ALLOWS
17 THAT THE REMAINDER CAN GO TOWARD THE MAINTENANCE OF THE
18 FACILITIES, BUT THERE ARE SOME CONCERNS, HOWEVER, BASED ON TWO
19 RECENT AUDITS BY THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER ON THE INMATE WELFARE
20 FUND, WHICH IDENTIFY THE LACK OF KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS TO
21 EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THESE PROGRAMS. THE SHERIFF'S
22 DEPARTMENT MADE BE SUPPLANTING JAIL MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES
23 WITH I.W.F. REVENUES THAT SHOULD BE FUNDED THROUGH THE NORMAL
24 BUDGETING PROCESS. AND THAT DESPITE THE DEPARTMENT HAVING A
25 LARGE I.F.W. BALANCE, THE SHERIFF IS SPENDING A LOWER



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PERCENTAGE OF THEIR I.F.W. REVENUE ON PROGRAMS FOR PEOPLE WHO
2 ARE INCARCERATED COMPARED TO OTHER NEIGHBORING COUNTIES. THE
3 AUDIT ALSO STATES THAT THE SHERIFF HAS NOT ASSESSED WHETHER
4 THE MARK UP FEES AND RATES ARE REASONABLE AND APPROPRIATE. I
5 KNOW WE HAVE A LOT AHEAD OF US IN TERMS OF THIS RECOVERY, BUT
6 I AM ALSO PROUD OF THE WORK OUR BOARD AND OUR COUNTY HAVE DONE
7 TO PROVIDE RELIEF IN SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR OUR FAMILIES TO
8 GET BACK ON THEIR FEET. THAT SAME SENTIMENT IN MY OPINION
9 SHOULD BE ACCORDED TO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY
10 INCARCERATION. AS SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO HAVE DONE, WE
11 SHOULD EXPLORE OPTIONS TO PROVIDE NO COST PHONE CALLS. AND
12 SIMILARLY, WE SHOULD FIGURE OUT A WAY TO END THE PRICE MARK
13 UPS ON COMMISSARY ITEMS ON FOOD AND HYGIENE PRODUCTS. LASTLY,
14 WE NEED PROPER OVERSIGHT ON HOW THE REVENUE IS USED AND
15 WHETHER IT'S USE IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW. COMMUNICATION
16 WITH FAMILIES AND FRIENDS IS NOT ONLY VITAL FOR A PERSON WHO
17 IS INCARCERATED, BUT IT IS BEEN SHOWN THAT IT PROVIDES A MAJOR
18 CONNECTION AND A LARGE ROLE IN HELPING IN SOMEONE'S SUCCESS
19 UPON RELEASE AND REENTRY. AND THE IDEA OF PROFITING OFF OF
20 FAMILIES WHO MAY STILL BE STRUGGLING IS NOT FAIR IN MY OPINION
21 OR EQUITABLE, AND WE NEED TO CHANGE THAT. COLLEAGUES, THAT'S
22 WHY I BRING THIS MOTION BEFORE YOU AND ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON
23 THIS ITEM. MEMBERS, I SEE THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE
24 TO BE RECOGNIZED AS WELL AS SUPERVISOR HAHN. SO SUPERVISOR
25 MITCHELL, PLEASE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 FUNDS BEYOND THE DIRECT BENEFIT OF THE INMATE, BUT THERE WERE
2 TOO MANY EXAMPLES WHERE WE SAW INMATE WELFARE FUNDS BEING USED
3 TO PAY OVERTIME. I AM CERTAINLY HOPING THAT IS NOT THE
4 EXPERIENCE HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, BUT MY POINT IS, THIS IS
5 REALLY A PART OF A NATIONAL TREND OF IMPROVED SERVICES BASED
6 ON RESEARCH. THE FACT THAT WE'VE GOT TWO NEIGHBORING COUNTIES
7 THAT HAVE ELIMINATED THE PRICE FOR CALLS, THE FACT THAT EVEN
8 WITH THE ADVANTAGE OF BULK PURCHASING THAT COMMISSARY PRICES
9 ARE STILL IN EXCESS OF A 60 TO 70% MARK UP IS OFFENSIVE. AND I
10 THINK THAT MOST PEOPLE QUITE FRANKLY WHO AREN'T TOUCHED BY THE
11 SYSTEM HAVE NO IDEA THAT IN COUNTY JAIL YOU HAVE TO BUY YOUR
12 OWN BASIC TOILETRIES, AS YOU SAID, MADAM CHAIR, TOOTHPASTE AND
13 DEODORANT. THESE ARE BASIC NECESSITIES THAT ANYONE NEEDS TO
14 TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES, AND THE FACT THAT IT IS A 70% MARK UP
15 IN A SITUATION WHERE YOU HAVE TO LIVE BY THE AMOUNT OF MONEY
16 THAT YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS PUT ON YOUR BOOKS BECAUSE YOU CAN'T
17 WORK IN COUNTY JAIL IS FURTHER OFFENSE. AGAIN, I WANT TO
18 APPLAUD YOU FOR BRINGING THIS BILL FORWARD. I THINK I WOULD
19 FURTHER TAKE A QUICK MOMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE SOME THE COMMENTS
20 MADE BY THE SHERIFF IN HIS BRIEF TIME WITH US THIS MORNING AND
21 TO ONCE AGAIN, ACKNOWLEDGE THAT MEASURES J WAS A VOTE OF THE
22 PEOPLE. AND CONTRARY TO THE SHERIFF'S COMMENTS, WE DON'T GET
23 TO SHARE APPOINTMENTS OR NEGOTIATE WITH HIM AND SWAP APPOINTED
24 AUTHORITY. MEASURE J WAS A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE, AND IT CAN
25 ONLY BE CHANGED BY THE VOTE OF THE PEOPLE. AND THEY, THROUGH



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 STAY IN COMMUNICATION WITH THEIR FRIENDS, AND IT SHOULDN'T BE
2 BASED ON THEIR FINANCIAL SITUATION. SO THANK YOU FOR THIS
3 MOTION, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND I AM GOING TO SUPPORT IT. AND I
4 REALLY AM INTERESTED IN THE REPORT BACK ON HOW WE MAKE THIS
5 WORK. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
8 I AM SURE WE WILL TAKE THAT INTO CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU. NOW
9 SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I WANTED TO ASK
12 THE C.E.O. AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL SHOULD THIS MOTION PASS,
13 WHICH IT SEEMS FROM THE SUPPORT THAT'S BEEN EXPRESSED SO FAR
14 TO WHICH I ADD MY OWN THAT IT MIGHT, IN TERMS OF THE QUESTION
15 WHETHER WE CAN USE THE BUDGET PROCESS TO MAKE THESE
16 ADJUSTMENTS, ENTER INTO THE CONTRACT OURSELVES THROUGH THE
17 COUNTY NOT THE SHERIFF, DIRECT A PORTION OF THE BUDGET TO PAY
18 FOR THESE CALLS, WHICH COULD BE PART OF THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET
19 BUT ALLOCATED SPECIFICALLY FOR THAT AND NOTHING ELSE, YOU
20 KNOW, TAKE A FEW SERIOUS STEPS TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. I
21 UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS A REPORT BACK, BUT AS PART OF THE REPORT
22 BACK, I WANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT. I ALSO WANT TO UNDERSTAND OUR
23 AUTHORITY, IF ANY, OVER THE INMATE WELFARE FUND, AND IF WE CAN
24 ASSERT ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY OVER IT. THE FLAGRANT MISUSE OF
25 AND THE ABUSE OF OUR INMATES AND OUR INMATE'S FAMILIES, AND I



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THINK, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SOME OF THE FIGURES THAT YOU CITED
2 WHERE COFFEE THAT COSTS THE SHERIFF \$3.50 WAS -- THE GOING
3 RATE WAS \$7 THAT'S 100% MARK UP. SO I AM NOT CLEAR ABOUT
4 WHETHER IT IS ONLY 47%, WHICH IS OUTRAGEOUS ENOUGH. AND YOU
5 KNOW IT IS LIKE AN ADDITIONAL PUNISHMENT. IT IS KIND OF LIKE
6 IF YOU ARE A CUSTODIAL PARENT AND YOU GO TO JAIL AND YOUR
7 CHILDREN ARE REMOVED, IT ISN'T SOMETHING YOU WERE SENTENCED
8 TO. IT IS SOMETHING THAT IS ADDED TO YOUR SENTENCE BY A WHOLE
9 DIFFERENT PROCESS. AND I THINK THIS KIND OF ABUSE OF INMATES
10 AND THEIR FAMILIES IS REALLY KIND OF THE SAME. IT IS IN
11 ADDITION TO WHAT THE COURT HAS SENTENCED THEM TO SERVE. WE
12 TALKED ABOUT THE SAME THING IN TERMS OF THE ADDITION OF HAVING
13 TO PAY INTEREST ON FINES AND ALL KINDS OF WAYS THAT THE MONEY
14 ADDS UP. SO I AM VERY SUPPORTIVE OF HAVING THE MOST ROBUST
15 REPORT BACK AND WHETHER THERE'S SOME WAY IN WHICH, IN ADDITION
16 TO OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS, THE BUDGETING PROCESS ITSELF MIGHT
17 BE USED. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THE INPUT. I KNOW
20 THE C.E.O. AND COUNTY COUNSEL ARE LISTENING, SO I'M SURE WE
21 CAN INCORPORATE THAT IN THE REPORT BACK AND ANY OTHER
22 SUGGESTIONS THAT WERE MADE BY SUPERVISOR HAHN AND MITCHELL. I
23 THINK ALL OF THEM ARE VERY NOTEWORTHY, AND I TOTALLY AGREE AND
24 ACCEPT THAT. SO, WITHOUT FURTHER ADO, AND HEARING NO OTHER
25 COMMENTS, THIS ITEM, 13, IS BEFORE US. I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE

EXHIBIT 58



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2 2021-22 RECOMMENDED BUDGET

3 WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2021, 9:30 AM

4

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO THE

7 SPECIAL BUDGET HEARING MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD

8 OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 19TH, 2021. OUR

9 MEETING TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY DUE TO THE CURRENT PUBLIC

10 HEALTH CRISIS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL NOW TAKE

11 ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND

12 RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL:** GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL:** GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN? SUPERVISOR BARGER?

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** I'M HERE.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

2

3 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL?

4

5 **ATTORNEY:** HERE.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
8 BOARD?

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I AM GOING TO CALL SUPERVISOR HAHN
13 AGAIN, BUT I UNDERSTAND WE MAY BE HAVING SOME ISSUES WITH
14 CONNECTIVITY. WE ARE WORKING ON THAT. SUPERVISOR HAHN? OKAY.
15 ALL RIGHT, THEN. TODAY WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE REPORT BY THE
16 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THEN WE WILL HEAR FROM BOARD
17 MEMBERS FOLLOWED BY DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, AND THEN WE WILL
18 TAKE UP PUBLIC COMMENT. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU ARE PRESENT?
19 HELLO? I SEE HER NAME. MAYBE SHE IS HAVING TROUBLE WITH
20 COMMUNICATION. OKAY. ALL RIGHT. ITEM NUMBER ONE IS A REPORT,
21 AS YOU KNOW, BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND ITEM NUMBER
22 TWO IS PUBLIC HEARING. THESE ITEMS ARE RELATED AND, THEREFORE,
23 WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER. SO LET US BEGIN BY HEARING FROM OUR
24 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, FESIA DAVENPORT.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM --

2

3 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, AND GOOD
6 MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR
7 ALLOWING ME TO PRESENT TODAY DURING TODAY'S PUBLIC HEARING. AS
8 YOU ALREADY KNOW, BUDGETS ARE ITERATIVE PROCESSES, AND THE
9 COUNTY'S BUDGET IS NO DIFFERENT. BY WAY OF A REMINDER, ON
10 APRIL 20TH, I PRESENTED TO YOU THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET WHICH
11 THE BOARD ADAPTED ON THAT DATE, AND THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET WAS
12 POSTED ONLINE ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE. TODAY IS DESIGNED TO
13 ALLOW THE BOARD TO RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT ON THAT RECOMMENDED
14 BUDGET THAT WAS POSTED ONLINE LAST MONTH. NO BUDGET DECISIONS
15 WILL BE MADE TODAY OR ANY OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN ON THE BUDGET.
16 THOSE ITEMS WILL BE RESERVED FOR THE NEXT PHASE OF OUR BUDGET
17 CYCLE. THE NEXT PHASE OF OUR BUDGET PROCESS OCCURS ON JUNE
18 28TH, 2021, WHERE THE BOARD WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
19 DELIBERATE BEFORE TAKING ACTION TO ADOPT THE FINAL BUDGET.
20 AFTER THE FINAL BUDGET IS ADOPTED IN JUNE, THE THIRD AND FINAL
21 PART OF THE BUDGET PHASE WILL OCCUR ON OCTOBER 4TH, 2021, WHEN
22 MY OFFICE WILL SUBMIT ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WHAT WE
23 CALL THE SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES BUDGET. I HAVE PREPARED A SHORT
24 PRESENTATION FOR THE BOARD TO REMIND US WHERE WE LEFT OFF
25 DURING THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET IN APRIL, AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
3 AT THIS TIME, THEN WE WILL ENTERTAIN REQUESTS TO SPEAK FROM
4 SOME OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS. SO, AT THIS TIME, WE WILL
5 HEAR FROM COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS WHO HAVE REQUESTED TO
6 ADDRESS THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN WITH SHERIFF VILLANUEVA AND
7 THEN ASSESSOR JEFFREY PRANG. THEY BOTH REQUESTED TO SPEAK. AND
8 SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES. SO PLEASE BEGIN.

9

10 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, THREE MINUTES TO DISCUSS A 3 AND A
11 HALF BILLION DOLLAR BUDGET IS KIND OF TOUGH, BUT I WILL DO MY
12 BEST. I CAN TELL YOU THIS THAT RIGHT NOW, I AM LOOKING AT YOUR
13 JUSTICE SYSTEM REFORM IS ACTUALLY A DEFUNDING EFFORT OF THE
14 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. IT HAS BEEN DONE BY SECTION. SINCE I
15 HAVE TAKEN OFFICE, WE HAVE SUFFERED A LOSS OF \$145 MILLION IN
16 THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. THIS NEW PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE NEXT
17 FISCAL YEAR IS A CUT OF ANOTHER \$143 MILLION TO OUR NET COUNTY
18 COSTS, AND WE ARE SEEING THE TRIAL COURT FUNDING ADJUSTMENT OF
19 \$15 MILLION IS TAKEN AWAY. THE SALES TAX, \$114 MILLION, TAKEN
20 AWAY, AND THE BOATING WATERS GRANT OF A MILLION TAKEN AWAY. SO
21 THAT'S \$143 MILLION THAT'S TAKEN AWAY FROM OUR CURRENT
22 OPERATING BUDGET. AND THE PROBLEMS, THE EXISTENTIAL THREATS
23 THAT THE COUNTY IS FACING IN TERMS OF HOMELESSNESS IS NOT
24 GOING AWAY BY DEFUNDING LAW ENFORCEMENT. CRIME IS NOT GOING
25 AWAY BY DEFUNDING LAW ENFORCEMENT, IN FACT, I HAVE A 93



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PERCENT INCREASE IN HOMICIDE, A 10 PERCENT INCREASE IN RAPE, A
2 15 PERCENT INCREASE IN AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, A 45 PERCENT
3 INCREASE GRAND THEFT AUTO, AN 18 PERCENT INCREASE IN ARSON. SO
4 WHAT YOUR SCHEME IS DOING IS, BY DEFUNDING US AND DISCREDITING
5 OUR OPERATIONS, YOU ARE DEGRADING THE CAPACITY OF THE
6 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO PREVENT CRIME, TO INVESTIGATE CRIME,
7 AND DETAIN THOSE WHO COMMIT CRIME AND HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE.
8 THAT IS NOT MAKING LIFE ANY EASIER . AND THESE ARE EXISTENTIAL
9 THREATS, RISING CRIME, THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. HOMELESSNESS,
10 THE ENCROACHMENT OF THE ENCAMPMENTS AS IT INTERFACES WITH THE
11 COMMUNITY EVERYWHERE IS BECOMING AN EXISTENTIAL THREAT TO THE
12 COMMUNITY. THE FIRES GENERATED BY THESE HOMELESS ENCAMPMENTS
13 IS AN EXISTENTIAL THREAT TO THE COMMUNITY. ILLEGAL GROWS IN
14 THE HIGH DESERT, EXISTENTIAL THREAT. DISPENSARIES, THE ILLEGAL
15 ONES OUTNUMBER THE LEGAL ONES 50 TO 1 IN THE BASIN. NONE OF
16 THAT IS MENTIONED BY ANYONE HERE. AND I APPLAUD THE MONEY YOU
17 ARE THROWING AT THE HOMELESS SITUATIONS, HOWEVER, UNTIL YOU
18 DECIDE TO REGULATE AND RECLAIM PUBLIC SPACE, YOU ARE WASTING
19 YOUR TIME AND YOUR MONEY BECAUSE EVERY YEAR, I GUARANTEE YOU
20 WILL HAVE MORE HOMELESS THAN THE YEAR BEFORE. SO YOU'RE 232
21 UNIT VILLAGE THERE, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AT THE COST OF \$59
22 MILLION, WE CAN APPLAUD YOU, BUT ANOTHER 2,000 YEARS AT THAT
23 PACE, YOU MAY GET YOUR HANDLE AROUND THE HOMELESS SITUATION.
24 IT IS UNREALISTIC, AND YOU ARE DAMAGING PUBLIC SAFETY, AND WE
25 ARE GOING TO TAKE VERY AGGRESSIVE EFFORTS TO START WORKING ON



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE SITUATION WITH RISING CRIME, WITH ILLEGAL GROWS,
2 DISPENSARIES, AND ALSO HOW THE HOMELESSNESS IS IMPACTING THE
3 ENTIRE COUNTY OF L.A. THAT'S MY RESPONSIBILITY AND MY
4 OBLIGATION. I WILL SEND YOU THE BILL.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT, WE WILL HEAR FROM ASSESSOR JEFFREY
7 PRANG. ASSESSOR, YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES. THANK YOU.

8

9 **JEFFREY PRANG:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, HONORABLE CHAIR AND
10 SUPERVISORS. I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT WITH YOU
11 TODAY TO PRESENT MY BUDGET WORK PLAN FOR THE COMING YEAR. I
12 WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN BY THANKING THE BOARD AND THE C.E.O. FOR
13 YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT OF THE EFFORTS TO MEET THE CORE
14 OPERATIONAL NEEDS OF MY OFFICE AND FOR OUR OBJECTIVE IN
15 MAKING THE PROPERTY TAX ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEM MORE EFFICIENT
16 AND EQUITABLE, ALL WHILE CONTINUING TO PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY
17 PUBLIC SERVICE. WHILE COVID-19 DID PRESENT MANY CHALLENGES, WE
18 HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ADAPT AND MANAGE IN THIS DIFFICULT
19 ENVIRONMENT. INDEED, GIVEN THE OUTSTANDING COMMITMENT OF THE
20 STAFF OF THIS OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR, I AM PLEASED TO REPORT
21 THAT WE ARE ON TARGET FOR COMPLETING OUR ASSESSMENT ROLL
22 PRODUCTION ON TIME. LAST WEEK, I TRANSMITTED THE ANNUAL
23 ASSESSMENT ROLL FORECAST ESTIMATE TO THE C.E.O. AND YOUR
24 BOARD, WHICH INCLUDES THE COMPLETION OF THE (INDISCERNIBLE)
25 STADIUM, WHICH IS VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$3.5 BILLION. WE

EXHIBIT 59



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2021 ON PAGE 265]

3
4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELL, GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I WANT TO
5 WELCOME YOU ALL TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY, AS YOU KNOW, IS
7 TUESDAY JUNE 22ND, 2021. OUR MEETING TODAY IS BEING HELD
8 REMOTELY TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL NOW TAKE ROLL
9 CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND
10 RESPONSE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

11
12 **SUP. MITCHELL:** PRESENT.

13
14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

15
16 **SUP. KUEHL:** HERE.

17
18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN:** PRESENT.

21
22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

23
24 **SUP. BARGER:** HERE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

2

3 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL.

6

7 **ATTORNEY:** HERE.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
10 BOARD.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA,
15 WE WILL BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS SEPARATELY FOR
16 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS DURING TODAY'S
17 MEETING. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 3,800
18 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE
19 WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO
20 THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION CONSISTENT WITH THE
21 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN
22 COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE
23 OFFICIAL RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
24 AGENDA.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. GOOD MORNING,
2 MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL
3 BEGIN ON PAGE TWO SET MATTER 10:30A.M. ITEM S1 IS A DISCUSSION
4 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO COVID-19. THIS ITEM WILL
5 BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE THREE, SPECIAL DISTRICT
6 AGENDAS. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
7 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ON ITEM 1D THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS
8 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 3D THIS IS IN
9 ADDITION TO THE -- AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
10 THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 61F. ON PAGE FIVE, THIS IS THE
11 AGENDA FOR THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON PAGE
12 SIX, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEM ONE THROUGH SEVEN. ON ITEM SIX, THE
13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD REQUESTS THIS THIS ITEM BE
14 CONTINUED TO JULY 27TH, 2021 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
15 AGENDA. ON ITEM 7, THIS ITEM IS CONTINUED TO JULY 27, 2021 TO
16 MEET LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THE
17 REMAINING ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE NINE,
18 CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS EIGHT THROUGH
19 36. ON ITEM NINE, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
20 HELD. ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE HELD.
21 ON ITEM 13, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
22 ITEM 14, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE
23 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 21, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS
24 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 22, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SUPERVISOR
25 MITCHELL, AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUEST TO BE RECORDED AS A NO



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 VOTE, THEREFORE, THIS MOTION FAILS TO CARRY FOR THE LACK OF
2 THREE VOTES. ON ITEM 27, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THIS ITEM
3 BE HELD. THIS INCLUDES AN AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AS
4 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 31, SUPERVISOR
5 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS INCLUDES A
6 REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEMS
7 32, 33, AND 34, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THESE ITEMS BE
8 HELD. ON ITEM 35, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE
9 CONTINUED TO JULY 13TH, 2021. THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
10 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 40,
11 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 37 THROUGH 63. ON ITEM 37, THE
12 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO
13 AUGUST 10TH, 2021, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM
14 44, THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
15 REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
16 AGENDA. ON ITEM 50, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON
17 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 55, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
18 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 54, THIS INCLUDES
19 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
20 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE
21 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 61A, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS
22 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 61C, SUPERVISOR BARGER
23 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 61D, SUPERVISORS
24 BARGER AND SOLIS WOULD LIKE TO REVISE THE LAST BULLET OF THE
25 FIRST DIRECTIVE TO A DETAILED DEFINITION OF WHAT SERVICES



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL
2 NOW HEAR FROM SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE
3 BOARD ON ITEM 27. SHERIFF, YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES. PLEASE
4 BEGIN. GOOD MORNING?

5

6 **LT. BLANCHARD:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM. THIS IS LIEUTENANT
7 BLANCHARD, THE EXECUTIVE AIDE FOR SHERIFF VILLANUEVA. WE WERE
8 TOLD HE WAS GOING TO SPEAK AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT AT ABOUT
9 10:30.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** HE WAS NOTIFIED, I BELIEVE, THAT THIS WAS
12 THE TIME HE WOULD BE RECOGNIZED.

13

14 **LT. BLANCHARD:** NO, MA'AM. WE WERE TOLD 10:30.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELL, THIS IS THE TIME THAT WE HAVE THE SET
17 AGENDA FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, SO HE WOULD BE GOING OUT OF ORDER.
18 SO CAN YOU CALL HIM AND LET HIM KNOW THAT, IF HE WANTS TO COME
19 IN DURING THIS HOUR, HE CAN NOTIFY US, AND WE WILL LET HIM IN.
20 OKAY?

21

22 **LT. BLANCHARD:** YES, I WILL DO THAT MA'AM.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, I APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU. WE
25 WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ALL AGENDA ITEMS, EXCLUDING



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** I BELIEVE THE SHERIFF WANTED TO ADDRESS THE
3 BOARD. THIS IS A TIME WHERE HE CAN ADDRESS THE BOARD NOW
4 BECAUSE WE'VE CONCLUDED PUBLIC COMMENT.

5

6 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** OKAY, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND
7 REGARDING AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 27, I HAVE A COUPLE OF COMMENTS.
8 FIRST AND FOREMOST, IN YOUR INTRO TO THIS THING, YOU TALKED
9 ABOUT THIS 2020 CENSUS AND THE POPULATION OF BLACK AMERICANS
10 AND LATINOS IN THE COUNTY JAIL VIS A VIS THEIR POPULATION IN
11 L.A. COUNTY. WELL, I WILL TELL YOU THIS, THE POPULATION AND
12 THE DEMOGRAPHICS AND THE COUNTY JAIL ARE AN EXACT REFLECTION
13 OF THE SUSPECTS WHO COMMIT CRIME IN L.A. COUNTY. SO WHEN YOU
14 TALK ABOUT THE OPPRESSION, WELL, ACTUALLY, CRIMINAL OFFENDERS
15 DO OPPRESS MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY AND IT DISPROPORTIONATELY
16 IMPACTS VICTIMS OF CRIME WHO OVERWHELMINGLY ARE BLACK AND
17 LATINO. THEY COME FROM THOSE COMMUNITIES. SO THERE IS NO
18 TARGETING, SO TO SPEAK, THAT SOMEHOW IT DISPROPORTIONATELY
19 AFFECTS THEM BECAUSE OF RACE OR ETHNICITY. THAT IS A FALLACY,
20 AND IT IS A FAKE ARGUMENT. SO LET'S END THAT ONE RIGHT NOW.
21 NUMBER TWO, RELEASING 4500 INMATES ONTO THE STREETS IS NOT A
22 LEGAL OPTION HAD FOR THE COUNTY TO EMBARK IN AND TRYING TO
23 CRAM 12,500 INMATES INTO 8,500 BEDS IS NOT A LEGAL ARGUMENT
24 EITHER THAT CAN BE MADE. IT IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND GOVERNMENT
25 CODE SECTION 22-605 CLEARLY STATES THAT THE SHERIFF RUNS THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 COUNTY JAIL, AND I HAVE FULL INTENTION TO CARRY OUT MY MANDATE
2 TO RUN THE COUNTY JAIL IN A CONSTITUTIONAL MANNER AND TO
3 SAFEGUARD THE SAFETY AND THE HEALTH OF EVERY SINGLE INMATE IN
4 THE COUNTY JAIL. YOUR PROPOSITION OF JUST CLOSING IT BECAUSE
5 YOU WANTS TO BECAUSE YOU WANT A CARE FIRST, WELL, YOU ARE ONLY
6 CARING ABOUT ACTUALLY THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN CRIME. YOU'RE NOT
7 CARING ABOUT THE VICTIMS OF CRIME. YOU'RE NOT CARING ABOUT THE
8 COMMUNITIES THAT WILL BE IMPACTED BY A FLOOD OF VIOLENT
9 OFFENDERS BEING RELEASED INTO THE COMMUNITY. AND THAT -- I AM
10 NOT SURE HOW YOU ARE GOING TO SQUARE THAT AWAY WITH YOUR OWN
11 CONSTITUENTS IN YOUR DISTRICTS. RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE ROUGHLY
12 15,000 INMATES IN THE JAIL SYSTEM. I HAVE NOW, AND THIS IS
13 2021, I HAVE 5,960 VIOLENT CRIMES THAT HAVE BEEN COMMITTED.
14 THAT MEANS IT IS 5,960 VIOLENT FELONS THAT THE OVERWHELMING
15 MAJORITY OF THEM HAVE NOT BEEN ARRESTED YET. WHERE DO THEY GO
16 WHEN WE RELEASE AND REDUCE THE CAPACITY OF THE COUNTY JAIL? TO
17 THE CARE-FIRST VILLAGE? THAT IS NOT GOING TO WORK. I THINK WE
18 NEED TO BE REALISTIC. WE NEED TO THINK LONG-TERM, AND WE NEED
19 TO INCORPORATE THE VOICES OF VICTIMS OF CRIME, HONEST LAW-
20 ABIDING CITIZENS, AND TAXPAYERS TO END THE MADNESS ABOUT THIS
21 CARE FIRST IDEA THAT DOESN'T INVOLVE ANYBODY BUT CRIMINAL
22 OFFENDERS. THE REST OF THE COMMUNITY IS SUFFERING AT THE HANDS
23 OF THESE CRIMINAL OFFENDERS. WE NEED TO HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE,
24 AND WHERE WE CAN PROVIDE FOR REHABILITATION, BY ALL MEANS.
25 LET'S WORK HARD TO INCREASE THE CAPACITY TO REHABILITATE, BUT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 YOU ARE NOT DOING THAT. YOU ARE JUST TRYING TO ELIMINATE THE
2 CAPACITY TO HOLD PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE, NOT ACCEPTABLE.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** -- IS EXPIRED. MEMBERS, OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC
5 SPEAKERS HAS ENDED. THANK YOU ALL THAT CALLED IN TO SPEAK. IF
6 YOU WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS, YOU MAY SUBMIT
7 WRITTEN COMMENTS AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. WE WILL CONTINUE
8 TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE
9 MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE
10 OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE
11 WILL BE VOTING.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU, 1D-3D,
14 1P, 8, 11, AND 12, 14-20, ON ITEM 22, THIS ITEM FAILS TO CARRY
15 FOR A LACK OF THREE VOTES, 23-26, 28-30, 36, 38-43, 45-49, 50-
16 54, 56-60, 61B, 61D AS REVISED, 61F-61I, 61J AS REVISED, 61K,
17 AND 64.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SECONDED BY
20 SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS, MADAM EXECUTIVE
21 OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

24

25 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 MONTHS? AS WAS STATED, YOU KNOW, I HEARD THE ESTIMATE IS 96
2 PERCENT OF THE INMATES CURRENTLY AT M.C.J. HAVE BEEN
3 INCARCERATED FOR A FELONY CRIME, WITH THE MAJORITY OF THOSE
4 HAVING COMMITTED A VIOLENT CRIME AGAINST AN INDIVIDUAL.
5 MEANWHILE, THE PERCENTAGE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS IS ESTIMATED TO
6 BE AROUND 50 PERCENT BEING MENTALLY ILL. THESE ARE INMATES
7 THAT NEED A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF RESOURCES TO ENSURE THEY ARE
8 NOT A DANGER TO THEMSELVES OR TO OTHERS IN THE COMMUNITY.
9 ADDITIONALLY, THIS MOTION DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE
10 IMMEDIATE AND DIRE NEED FOR L.P.S. BEDS AS WELL AS BEDS FOR
11 HUNDREDS OF FELONY INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL PATIENTS BEING
12 ADDED TO OUR SYSTEM BY THE STATE, SOMETHING THAT MY COLLEAGUES
13 HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT AS WELL. WE HAVE A CONSTITUTIONAL
14 DUTY TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THOSE IN OUR JAIL. WE ARE
15 CURRENTLY IN A CONSENT DECREE WITH D.O.J. IN RESPONSE TO OUR
16 ABILITY TO CARE FOR THIS POPULATION. PROVISION 63 OF THE
17 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
18 JUSTICE INSTRUCTS THE COUNTY AND THE SHERIFF TO MAINTAIN
19 ADEQUATE HIGH OBSERVATION HOUSING AND MODERATE OBSERVATION
20 HOUSING SUFFICIENT TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE JAIL POPULATION
21 WITH MENTAL ILLNESS AS ASSESSED BY THE COUNTY AND THE SHERIFF
22 ON AN ONGOING BASIS. THE UPCOMING DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REPORT
23 BACK NOT ONLY OUTLINES THE SPECIFIC NEEDS OF THE CURRENT
24 POPULATION, BUT WHERE WE AS A COUNTY ARE NON-COMPLIANT. THIS
25 REPORT BACK IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED IN THE SUMMER AND



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE DEPARTMENT. HAVING SAID THAT, I AM HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY
2 QUESTIONS ANYONE HAS.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. HUNTSMAN AND MADAM
7 CHAIR. MR. HUNTSMAN, YOU PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED WAYS IN WHICH
8 THE SHERIFF HAS FAILED TO COOPERATE WITH THE OFFICE. CAN YOU
9 PLEASE DESCRIBE -- AND TO COMPLY WITH LAWFUL ORDERS, FOR THAT
10 MATTER. CAN YOU PLEASE DESCRIBE WHAT, IF ANY, PROGRESS HAS
11 BEEN MADE IN THIS AREA? I REMAIN HOPEFUL.

12

13 **MAX HUNTSMAN, I.G.:** UNFORTUNATELY, THE ANSWER IS NONE. THE
14 LIST OF LAWFUL ORDERS THAT THE SHERIFF DISOBEYS GROWS LONGER
15 EVERY DAY. AND HIS MISUSE OF HIS CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT DUTIES
16 TO TARGET ANYONE THAT QUESTIONS HIM HAS GROWN MORE BOLD SINCE
17 THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AT THE STATE LEVEL BEGAN ITS CIVIL
18 RIGHTS INVESTIGATION OF L.A.S.D.

19

20 **SUP. MITCHELL:** YOU ALMOST RENDERED ME SPEECHLESS. THAT IS VERY
21 TROUBLING TO HEAR. YOU'VE ALSO REPORTED THAT THE SHERIFF'S
22 DEPARTMENT DOES NOT PERMIT THE MONITORING OF ITS
23 INVESTIGATIONS OF DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS AND DOES NOT
24 COMPLY WITH LAWFUL REQUESTS FOR DOCUMENTATION OF THESE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 UNDERSTAND THE EXPECTATION? HAVE YOU HEARD OF OTHER SUCH
2 FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE LAW?

3

4 **MAX HUNTSMAN, I.G.:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, THE LAW WE ARE TALKING
5 ABOUT, THE CLARIFICATION OF IT, WAS PASSED IN PART BECAUSE OF
6 SHERIFF VILLANUEVA. SO IT IS A NEW LAW CREATED ESPECIALLY FOR
7 HIM. AND SO, THERE'S NO OTHER PLACE WHERE IT HAS APPLIED IN
8 THE SAME WAY. I DON'T THINK IT IS A PRACTICE THAT EXISTED
9 PRIOR. AND SO, I THINK WE ARE FACING A UNIQUE PROBLEM HERE.
10 AND IT IS ALSO UNIQUE THE WAY THE SHERIFF HAS WEAPONIZED
11 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION TO THREATEN PEOPLE WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE
12 FOR OVERSIGHT. SO I DON'T BELIEVE THERE'S ANY ANALOG ANYWHERE
13 IN CALIFORNIA OR IN THE COUNTRY.

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND IF YOU COULD REMIND ME IF THERE'S ANY OTHER
16 COUNTY THAT HAS AN OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL THAT IS
17 PROVIDING THE SAME TYPE OF OVERSIGHT THAT YOU ARE OVER OUR
18 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT?

19

20 **MAX HUNTSMAN, I.G.:** NONE EXACTLY IDENTICAL. THERE CERTAINLY
21 ARE OTHER COUNTIES THAT HAVE INSPECTOR GENERALS. SACRAMENTO
22 HAD ONE UNTIL THEY WERE SHUT OUT FROM THE JAILS BY THE SHERIFF
23 THERE. THAT'S ANOTHER REASON WHY THAT LAW PASSED. AND DOWN IN
24 SAN DIEGO, THEY HAVE A VERY ROBUST [INDISCERNIBLE], A
25 CITIZENS' BOARD THAT OVERSEES, BUT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND SO, FROM MY UNDERSTANDING THAT OUR SHERIFF
2 STATED THAT THESE ACTIONS WERE JUSTIFIABLE, AGAIN, VIOLATING
3 STATE LAW BASED ON WHAT YOU JUST SAID, TO PREVENT -- IS THE
4 TERM PRONOUNCED DOXING?

5

6 **MAX HUNTSMAN, I.G.:** DOXING. IT IS A MODERNIZATION OF A
7 REFERENCE TO THE TERM DOC, FOR DOCUMENTS.

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL:** OKAY, SO IT WAS TO PREVENT -- SO THEN HE STATED
10 THAT IT WAS AN ACTION TAKEN TO PREVENT INDIVIDUALS FROM BEING
11 ABLE TO DOCUMENT THEIR INTERACTIONS WITH A MEMBER OF HIS
12 DEPARTMENT.

13

14 **MAX HUNTSMAN, I.G.:** YEAH, HE DID MAKE THAT CLAIM. AND WE HAVE
15 ASKED FOR DOCUMENTATION. AND HE HAS GIVEN US NOTHING. I THINK
16 WHAT HE IS DOING IS CONFLATING THE TERM DOXING WITH PROTEST
17 AT PEOPLE'S HOUSES. THERE'S BEEN SOME OF THAT. THERE HAS BEEN
18 A SMALL AMOUNT OF CLASSIC DOXING, ALTHOUGH WE HAVEN'T BEEN
19 ABLE TO RECEIVE ANY DOCUMENTATION OTHER THAN, IF YOU LOOK ON
20 THE INTERNET, YOU CAN SEE A VIDEO OF THE SHERIFF DOXING
21 MEMBERS OF THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION BY RELEASING
22 PERSONAL INFORMATION ON THE INTERNET ABOUT THEM REGARDING THE
23 VALUE OF THEIR HOMES. SO THE ONLY DOXING I KNOW FOR SURE HAS
24 HAPPENED HAS BEEN COMMITTED BY SHERIFF VILLANUEVA.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 AND I HOPE WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS, BUT THANKS, THAT WAS A
2 REALLY GOOD ANSWER.

3

4 **MAX HUNTSMAN, I.G.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU, ALL
5 OF YOU SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN:** THANKS, MADAM CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MAX, THANK YOU FOR YOUR REPORT. I READ IT
10 WITH GREAT INTEREST, ESPECIALLY THE FACT WHERE, IN SOME OF OUR
11 OFFICES WHERE THE SHERIFF IS IN OUR DISTRICTS, WE RECEIVED
12 MORE COMPLAINTS IN CERTAIN AREAS THAT I NOTICED, FOR EXAMPLE,
13 IN EAST LOS ANGELES, AND I KNOW I BELIEVE UP SUPERVISOR
14 BARGER'S DISTRICT, AS WELL FROM THE PALMDALE STATION. AND I
15 KNOW A HIGH NUMBER OF SERVICE COMPLAINTS CAME FROM THE CIVIL
16 MANAGEMENT BUREAU AND NORWALK STATION, AND NINE PERSONAL
17 COMPLAINTS IN EAST L. A. I AM JUST WORRYING ABOUT THAT, AGAIN,
18 THE KIND OF RESPONSE WE ARE SEEING FROM THE SHERIFFS OUT IN
19 OUR COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY WHEN OUR COMMUNITIES ARE BEING,
20 HOW COULD I SAY, NOT TOTALLY RESPECTED IN A MANNER THAT I
21 THINK IS CONDUCIVE, AND I THINK THAT CONTINUES TO BE VERY
22 TROUBLING. I WANTED TO ASK YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT.

23

24 **MAX HUNTSMAN, I.G.:** I SHARE YOUR CONCERN, SUPERVISOR. I
25 ALWAYS CAUTION AGAINST RELYING ON SMALL NUMBERS TO DRAW TOO



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 LEAST HAVE THAT CONVERSATION AGAIN. IF WE REMOVE THAT BAN, WE
2 COULD PROVIDE A LEGAL PATHWAY FOR ALL THESE ILLEGAL
3 DISPENSARIES THAT ARE CURRENTLY OPERATING THERE TO CONDUCT
4 THEIR BUSINESS. AND, JUST AS MARK TALKED ABOUT, BEING UNDER-
5 RESOURCED IN DEALING WITH THE WATER ISSUE, I KNOW OUR SHERIFF
6 HAS SAID THEY ARE TOTALLY, YOU KNOW, UNDER-RESOURCED IN TERMS
7 OF CRACKING DOWN ON THESE ILLEGAL DISPENSARIES. I HAVE A LOT
8 IN MINE, AND IT TAKES A LOT OF EFFORT. PEOPLE CALL OUR OFFICE,
9 WE CALL THE SHERIFF, AND WE JUST KEEP -- WE ARE KIND OF GOING
10 IN THIS CIRCLE. AND I AM PRETTY SURE MOST OF THESE BUSINESSES
11 WOULD CONTINUE TO DO THEIR BUSINESS IN A LEGAL WAY AND
12 REGISTER AND, YOU KNOW, BE TAXED. I KNOW WE ARE NOT VOTING ON
13 THIS, AND I DON'T WANT YOU TO THINK I AM DISRESPECTFUL,
14 KATHRYN, BY EVEN BRINGING THIS UP BECAUSE I KNOW YOU ARE SO
15 FRUSTRATED WITH YOUR PARTICULAR ISSUE IN YOUR DISTRICT, BUT
16 INSTEAD OF DEEPENING CRIMINAL PENALTIES, I JUST WOULD LIKE TO
17 HAVE THE CONVERSATION TO MOVE TOWARDS MORE REGULATION AND
18 LEGALIZATION LIKE THE VOTERS TOLD US THEY WANTED. BUT IN THE
19 MEANTIME, I SUPPORT THIS MOTION, KATHRYN. I HOPE YOU TAKE OUT
20 THAT FIRST DIRECTIVE OF INCREASING CRIMINAL PENALTIES WHEN IT
21 COMES BACK. THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK, AND I FEEL YOU.

22
23 **SUP. BARGER:** AND I APPRECIATE THAT, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND
24 ACTUALLY I WILL BE GLAD ON JULY 13TH TO BRING IN A MOTION AND
25 MOVE FORWARD THE ISSUE REGARDING LEGALIZATION BECAUSE YOU ARE

EXHIBIT 60



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2 TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021, 9:30 AM

3

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING EVERYONE, AND WELCOME TO THE
6 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS, WHICH IS BEING HELD REMOTELY. TODAY, AS YOU KNOW,
8 IS TUESDAY JULY 27TH, 2021. I WILL NOW TAKE ROLL CALL TO
9 CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND RESPOND WHEN
10 YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

11

12 **SUP. MITCHELL:** GOOD MORNING, PRESENT.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** HERE.

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN:** HERE.

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** HERE.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

2

3 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL.

6

7 **ATTORNEY:** HERE.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
10 BOARD.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL
15 BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS SEPARATELY FOR REGULAR
16 AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS DURING TODAY'S MEETING.
17 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 1,900 WRITTEN
18 PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN
19 COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE
20 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN
21 ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC
22 COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE
23 OFFICIAL RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
24 AGENDA.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
2 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO SET MATTER
3 10:30 AM. ITEM S1 IS A DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER
4 RELATED TO COVID-19. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON
5 PAGE 3, THE SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR
6 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ON PAGE 4, THIS
7 IS THE AGENDA FOR THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT.
8 ON PAGE 5, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1-8. ON ITEM 5, THE
9 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
10 TO AUGUST 31ST, 2021, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON
11 ITEM 7, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO
12 AUGUST 31ST, 2021, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM
13 8, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO AUGUST
14 31ST, 2021, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE
15 REMAINING ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE 9, CONSENT
16 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 9-38, ON ITEM 10,
17 SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 14,
18 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS
19 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
20 ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
21 ON ITEM 20, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS
22 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO SUPERVISOR BARGER SUBMITTED A
23 SUBSTITUTE MOTION WHICH BE POSTED ON THE AGENDA AND IS
24 ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC. ON ITEM 22, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
25 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 23, SUPERVISOR



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES
2 THROUGH 52F ARE BEFORE YOU.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY
5 SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. THAT WILL BE THE
6 ORDER.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 37, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTIONS,
9 ITEMS 55-57, ON PAGE 39, SEPARATE MATTER, ITEM 58 IS A
10 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
11 AND SALE OF THE 2021-'22 TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATED NOTES
12 SERIES A ON BEHALF OF CERTAIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN AN
13 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30 MILLION. ON PAGE
14 40, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF
15 THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MEMBERS, NOW WE WILL HEAR FROM
18 SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO HAS REQUESTED TIME TO ADDRESS THE
19 BOARD ON ITEM 14. SHERIFF, YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES, PLEASE
20 BEGIN.

21

22 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YES, THANK YOU FOR THAT GENEROUS TIME YOU
23 GRANTED. I WANT TO ADDRESS SPECIFICALLY ITEM NUMBER 14 AND
24 JUST SOME OF THE LANGUAGE IN IT. FIRST OF ALL, THE GENESIS OF
25 THE ENTIRE THING WAS A FALSE REPORT GENERATED BY A CORRUPT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 INSPECTOR GENERAL BASED ON INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN
2 THOROUGHLY DISPROVEN AND WITH THE PRESENCE OF BODY-WORN
3 CAMERAS NOW, THIS ENTIRE NOTION OF ONGOING HARASSMENT AND
4 INTIMIDATION SEEMS TO BE ABSOLUTELY ABSENT FROM ALL OF THE
5 BODY-WORN CAMERA VIDEOS WE HAVE IN OUR POSSESSION NOW. SO
6 THAT, IN AND OF ITSELF, IS PROBLEMATIC. THEN YOU WANT TO
7 REQUEST THE D.A. INVESTIGATE ALL ALLEGATIONS BY THE L.A.
8 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WELL, I THINK THAT IS THEIR JOB.
9 SO I DON'T THINK YOU NEED TO REQUEST THEM TO DO THEIR JOB. WE
10 ASSUME THAT THEY DO THEIR JOB. BUT THE INFERENCE THAT SOMEHOW
11 WE ARE ENGAGED IN SOME MASSIVE AMOUNT OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT,
12 WHICH AGAIN, I BELIEVE THAT IS PART OF YOUR POLITICAL AGENDA
13 TO DISPARAGE AND DELEGITIMIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE
14 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, PARTICULARLY IN THE EYES OF THE PUBLIC.
15 BUT THAT IS -- I AM NOT SURE WHAT EXACTLY IS THE PUBLIC'S
16 INTEREST IN DOING THAT. AND THE VERY END OF THIS, YOU REFER TO
17 VICTIMS OF DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS. AND DEPUTY-INVOLVED
18 SHOOTINGS, THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN DEPUTY INVOLVED SHOOTINGS,
19 AND THEIR DECEASE, THEY ARE SUSPECTS, AND THAT IS HOW THEY ARE
20 REFERRED TO LEGALLY, AND THE OVERWHELMINGLY MAJORITY OF ALL
21 THE CASES OF DEPUTY INVOLVED SHOOTINGS, THEY ARE SUSPECTS.
22 THEY ARE NOT VICTIMS. AND THAT IS OBSCENE IN LIGHT OF THE
23 FACT THAT SOME OF THESE PEOPLE -- IN FACT, THE OVERWHELMING
24 MAJORITY OF THE THESE PEOPLE ARE ATTEMPTING TO KILL EITHER THE
25 DEPUTY OR SOMEBODY ELSE. AND THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE. FROM THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 LEGAL STANDPOINT, YOUR ENTIRE MOTION REEKS OF, I DON'T THINK
2 YOU QUITE UNDERSTAND THE LAW BECAUSE THE MOTION GATHERS A
3 VARIETY OF PARTIES TO SEEK ACCESS TO L.A.S.D. RECORDS. MOST,
4 IF NOT ALL, THESE RECORDS ARE LEGISLATIVE PROTECTED FOR A
5 VARIETY OF REASONS, AND WE HAVE 50 YEARS OF CASE LAW, PITCHES,
6 BRADY, S.B.1421, CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT AND CODE SECTION 6254,
7 HAVE ALL DETAILED HOW AND TO WHOM THESE RECORDS SHOULD BE
8 DISSEMINATED. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AS A QUASI-LEGISLATIVE
9 BODY, CANNOT PASS THE MOTION TO BYPASS THESE WELL-ESTABLISHED
10 LAWS. AND THEN YOU ARE TRYING TO ENGAGE, IT LOOKS LIKE SOME
11 KIND OF A LEGISLATIVE EXTORTION WHERE YOU ARE GOING TO FORCE A
12 PRIVATE PARTY TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION THAT IS CONTRACTUALLY
13 BOUND BY LAW NOT TO DISCLOSE TO A THIRD PARTY. THAT IS JUST
14 NOT PERMISSIBLE. SO WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO DO, THIS IS GOING TO
15 BE TIED UP IN COURT. IT IS GOING TO REQUIRE OBVIOUSLY A
16 DEFENSE, A LEGAL DEFENSE. YOU ARE GOING TO PAY IT BOTH SIDES,
17 AND THE TAXPAYER IS GOING TO PAY FOR EXACTLY WHAT PURPOSE? I
18 MEAN THIS IS UTTER NONSENSE. WE HAVE PROBLEMS WITH
19 HOMELESSNESS. WE HAVE A LOT OF PROBLEMS THAT WE NEED TO BE
20 ADDRESSING, AND THIS IS NOT CUTTING THE MUSTARD. WHY DON'T
21 YOU TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT NEXT TIME.

22
23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES OUR TIME. NOW, WE
24 WILL TAKE UP PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ALL AGENDA ITEMS, EXCLUDING
25 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1-8. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 AS WELL. BUT THE SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN WILL BE A TARGETED
2 CAMPAIGN IN THESE COMMUNITIES. SO WE ARE ABLE TO ACTUALLY
3 TARGET RESIDENTS AND WORKERS IN THESE COMMUNITIES WITH OUR
4 SOCIAL MEDIA, AND THAT'S WHAT YOU WILL BE SEEING OVER THE NEXT
5 COUPLE OF WEEKS.

6

7 **SUP. KUEHL:** WE WILL BE DOING THAT AS WELL BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN
8 VERY STRONG ABOUT ENCOURAGING VACCINATION, AND WE WILL WORK TO
9 SPECIFICALLY FIND INCREASING WAYS TO TARGET THE YOUNGER
10 COMMUNITY AND FIND THE RIGHT ARGUMENTS. ON THE SECOND POINT
11 THAT WAS RAISED BY THE CHAIR, I WANT TO INDICATE THAT I
12 PERSONALLY, STRONGLY FAVOR REQUIRING VACCINATIONS OF ALL
13 112,000 OF OUR COUNTY WORKERS. AND, YOU KNOW, WITH A VERY,
14 VERY FOCUSED EXEMPTION OF ANY KIND, I SUPPOSE TESTING CAN
15 SUBSTITUTE, BUT WE CAN TALK ABOUT IT. BUT I AGREE WITH YOU,
16 DR. FERRER, THAT IS SOMETHING THAT THE BOARD ITSELF WILL NEED
17 TO DECIDE AS THE ULTIMATE SUPERVISORS OF ALL THOSE EMPLOYEES.
18 I WAS SHOCKED TO HEAR THAT OUR PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS IN THE
19 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WERE NOT 100%
20 VACCINATED. I DON'T GET THAT AT ALL AND WOULD LIKE TO PERHAPS,
21 AND I WILL ASK MY COLLEAGUES, IF WE MIGHT THINK ABOUT ASKING
22 BOTH THE SHERIFF AND THE FIRE CHIEF TO COME IN AND TELL US WHY
23 THAT IS. THAT COULD BE FUN. AND I THANK YOU AGAIN VERY MUCH IF
24 YOUR WORK. I APOLOGIZE ON BEHALF OF THE UNVACCINATED IDIOTS,
25 WHO ARE RAISING THE NUMBER OF CASES BY THEIR BEHAVIOR AND



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THEIR CHOICES BECAUSE I DON'T THINK THEY THINK FOR A MINUTE
2 ABOUT THE PRESSURE THEY ARE PUTTING ON OUR HEALTHCARE WORKERS
3 AGAIN, WHO ARE ALREADY EXHAUSTED AFTER A YEAR AND A HALF OF
4 THIS PANDEMIC. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK, AND, YOU KNOW,
5 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HANGING IN THERE. I KNOW IT'S BEEN
6 TOUGH, AND I KNOW YOU HAVE TAKEN ABUSE FOR IT, BUT WE ARE ALL
7 VERY GRATEFUL. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. I TEND TO
10 AGREE WITH YOU THAT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA AT SOME POINT TO
11 HAVE THE SHERIFF AS WELL AS THE CHIEF OF OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT
12 TO COME IN AND TALK TO US ABOUT WHY WE ARE EXPERIENCING THIS
13 WITH OUR EMPLOYEES BECAUSE THEY DO HAVE CONTACT, I BELIEVE,
14 EVERY SINGLE DAY WITH THE PUBLIC. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO THAT
15 DISCUSSION. THANK YOU. NEXT, I WILL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR
16 JANICE HAHN.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I THINK WE ARE ALL JUST SO
19 -- DISAPPOINTED IS TOO SMALL OF A WORD TO USE AS IT RELATES
20 TO THE INCREASE IN THESE CASES AND HOSPITALIZATIONS. IT IS
21 STILL PRIMARILY A PANDEMIC OF THE UNVACCINATED, BUT CLEARLY IT
22 HAS CREPT -- THIS DELTA VARIANT HAS CREPT INTO THE LIVES OF
23 PEOPLE WHO ARE VACCINATED. IT WAS SHOCKING TO SEE THE DEATHS
24 OF PEOPLE WHO ARE FULLY VACCINATED. AND YET WE DO KNOW THAT
25 THE VACCINES ARE HIGHLY EFFECTIVE AGAINST THIS VARIANT. YOU



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PLATFORMS, I'M SORRY FOR YOUR GRIEF, AND I HEARD YOUR GRIEF
2 WHEN WE ALSO HAD A CALL WITH YOU AND HEARD THAT SEVERAL WEEKS
3 AGO. I'M GRATEFUL FOR YOUR BRAVERY AND YOUR COURAGE TO SHARE
4 THESE STORIES THAT ARE PAINFUL WITH US AND WITH OTHER MEMBERS
5 OF THE PUBLIC. THE SHERIFF CONTINUOUSLY BASHES ANY FORM OF
6 OVERSIGHT AND IN THE SAME THREAD, ATTEMPTS TO INTIMIDATE AND
7 RETALIATE AGAINST THOSE WHO RAISE CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS OF
8 MISCONDUCT THAT SOME MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT ENGAGE IN. THE
9 DEPARTMENT'S HISTORY, EVEN DURING THE SHERIFF'S TENURE, OF
10 MISCONDUCT HAS RESULTED IN THE STATE'S A.G. OPENING A CIVIL
11 RIGHTS INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE DEPARTMENT HAS
12 ENGAGED IN A PATTERN OR PRACTICE OF UNCONSTITUTIONAL POLICING.
13 ADDITIONALLY, THOUGH THE COUNTY HAS PAID FOR DEPUTIES TO HAVE
14 BODY WORN CAMERAS, WE KNOW THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS POLICIES
15 THAT STILL NEED REFORM AND REFINEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT. CURRENT
16 POLICIES DO NOT ALLOW RANDOM AUDITS BY AN INDEPENDENT BODY TO
17 REVIEW CAMERA FOOTAGE, TO ENSURE THAT DEPUTIES ARE NOT
18 ENGAGING IN MISCONDUCT, AND THIS ALSO INCLUDES THE INABILITY
19 TO CHECK FOOTAGE TO SEE IF DEPUTIES ARE ACTUALLY TURNING ON
20 AND KEEPING ON, PER POLICY, THEIR BODY WORN CAMERAS WHEN
21 ENGAGED WITH THE COMMUNITY. LASTLY, THE SHERIFF IN HIS
22 COMMENTS DISPARAGE THE VICTIMS OF DEPUTY INVOLVED SHOOTINGS,
23 CALLING THEM SUSPECTS. SOME OF THESE INDIVIDUALS HAD MENTAL
24 HEALTH NEEDS, A HEARING IMPAIRMENT, AND WAS AUTISTIC, LIKE
25 ISAIAH CERVANTES. MIND YOU, THE BOARD IS HAVING TO PUT THIS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 MOTION FORWARD BECAUSE WE HAVE FAMILIES WHO CAN'T MOURN FOR
2 THEIR LOVED ONES IN PEACE. OUR FAMILIES HAVE A RIGHT TO MOURN
3 IN PEACE. AND A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO, I DIRECTED THE O.I.G. TO
4 REPORT BACK ON HOW TO STRENGTHEN OVERSIGHT OF THE SHERIFF'S
5 DEPARTMENT AS WELL RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW WE CAN SUPPORT AND
6 PROTECT OUR FAMILIES FROM FUTURE HARM. THE MOTION IS TO
7 CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OUR FAMILIES AND ENGAGE IN OVERSIGHT OF
8 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE NECESSARY
9 STEPS TO DO SO. ASIDE FROM PROVIDING TECHNOLOGICAL SUPPORT AND
10 FRANKLY ACCESS TO DATABASES AND EVEN BODY WORN CAMERA COVERAGE
11 FOR THE O.I.G. AND OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS IN THE
12 COUNTY, I'M ALSO QUITE FRANKLY ASKING THAT THE C.E.O. FIND
13 SUSTAINABLE FUNDING FOR A FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. THIS
14 PROGRAM HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BE A LIFELINE FOR THOSE FAMILIES
15 AFTER TRAUMATIC EXPERIENCES WITH THE SHERIFF, IN WHICH THEIR
16 LOVED ONE IS EITHER KILLED OR HURT BY LAW ENFORCEMENT,
17 MISCONDUCT, AND USE OF FORCE. WE KNOW IT HAS BEEN HELPFUL TO
18 THOSE FAMILIES WHO HAVE USED IT. HOWEVER, WE NEED TO BUILD THE
19 PROGRAM UP AND FIND SUSTAINABLE FUNDING TO PROVIDE ROBUST
20 SERVICES OUR FAMILIES NEED TO HEAL WHILE THEY SEEK JUSTICE.
21 COLLEAGUES, AND THE SURVIVING FAMILIES, I AGAIN ASK FOR YOUR
22 AYE VOTE AND MAKE IT COUNT. THIS JUST CAN'T CONTINUE. AND I
23 ALSO WANT TO THANK THE MANY INDIVIDUALS WHO CALLED IN THIS
24 MORNING TO INFORM US ABOUT THEIR SUPPORT ON THE MOTION AND
25 SOME FAMILIES THAT HAVE BEEN PERSONALLY IMPACTED. AND WITH



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THAT, I THANK YOU, AND I RECOGNIZE MY COAUTHOR, SUPERVISOR
2 MITCHELL.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M GOING JUST TO USE MY
5 BRIEF TIME THIS AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR, TO RESPOND TO THE
6 COMMENTS MADE AT THE TOP OF OUR MEETING BY THE SHERIFF WHERE
7 HE SUGGESTED THAT OUR INSPECTOR GENERAL WAS, QUOTE, CORRUPT,
8 BASED ON WHAT? I DON'T KNOW. WHERE HE INSISTED ON USING,
9 REFERRING TO THE VICTIMS OF THESE MURDERS AS, QUOTE, SUSPECTS,
10 WHICH SUGGESTED TO ME A JUSTIFICATION IN THE LOSS OF LIFE
11 BECAUSE THEY WERE, QUOTE, SUSPECTS. I WONDER IF THAT, THEN,
12 MAKES THE OFFICERS WHO TOOK THEIR LIVES EQUIVALENT TO JUDGE
13 AND JURY, THAT BECAUSE THEY WERE SUSPECTED THAT THEIR MURDERS
14 WERE JUSTIFIED. THAT THE OFFICER MOVED THEM FROM SUSPECT TO
15 GUILTY, AND, THEREFORE, IN THEIR MINDS AND IN THE MINDS OF
16 THEIR SHERIFF, THEIR ACTIONS WERE JUSTIFIED. THEY ARE VICTIMS
17 BECAUSE THEY WERE KILLED. THAT'S WHAT CONSTITUTES THE TERM
18 BEING USED VICTIM. IN SOME INSTANCES, THEY WERE IN PURSUIT. WE
19 DON'T KNOW ALL THE INDIVIDUAL CASES, BUT TO MAKE THE GLOBAL
20 STATEMENT THEY WERE SUSPECTS AND THEREFORE DESERVED LESS THAN
21 HUMANE TREATMENT BY OFFICERS WHO TAKE AN OATH TO PROTECT AND
22 SERVE ALL EQUALLY, I FOUND DEEPLY OFFENSIVE, PARTICULARLY
23 COMING FROM AN INDIVIDUAL AND A DEPARTMENT CURRENTLY UNDER
24 INVESTIGATION BY OUR STATE'S ATTORNEY GENERAL. I DON'T KNOW
25 THAT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL IS -- HENCE THE INAPPROPRIATENESS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OF HIM BEING REFERRED TO AS CORRUPT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR,
2 FOR YOUR CONSISTENCY IN BRINGING THE ISSUES AND CHALLENGES AND
3 FEARS THESE FAMILIES EXPERIENCE EVERY DAY, LEADING UP TO THE
4 MURDER OF THEIR LOVED ONE, DURING, AND AFTER, AND I AM PROUD
5 TO STAND WITH YOU AS COAUTHOR, AND VOTE IN SUPPORT OF THIS
6 MOTION.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I
9 WILL NOW RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR BARGER.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND ACTUALLY, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I
12 AGREE WITH YOU. THE COMMENTS MADE BY THE SHERIFF WERE TOTALLY
13 INAPPROPRIATE AND, QUITE FRANKLY, NOT CONSTRUCTIVE AS IT
14 RELATES TO THIS ITEM. AND IT TRULY IS UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE,
15 ONCE AGAIN, DON'T LET FACTS GET IN THE WAY OF A GOOD STORY. IN
16 THIS CASE, HE DIDN'T HAVE THE FACTS TO BACK UP WHAT HIS CLAIMS
17 WERE, AND IT REALLY IS UNFORTUNATE, AND I SAY THIS HAS SOMEONE
18 WHO HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MOTION, AND I AM ACTUALLY
19 LITTLE DISGUSTED WITH ON HOW HE BROUGHT THIS TO THE BOARD
20 TODAY. AND HE DID NOTHING TO HELP THOSE MEN AND WOMEN THAT
21 WEAR THE UNIFORM THAT ACTUALLY GENUINELY DO WANT
22 ACCOUNTABILITY ACROSS THE BOARD. BUT I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS FOR
23 COUNTY COUNSEL, AND I WILL MAKE THEM AS BRIEF AS POSSIBLE. MY
24 UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THE O.I.G. ALREADY HAS THE AUTHORITY TO
25 REQUEST ACCESS TO MONITORING AND INVESTIGATE REQUESTS TO



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 INCLUDE THE (INDISCERNIBLE) AND BODY WORN CAMERA VIDEOS. WHAT
2 IS THE SUBPOENA POWER OF THE O.I.G. AND IS THAT INSUFFICIENT
3 AND IS THAT WHY COUNTY COUNSEL NEEDS TO BE INVOLVED? I AM JUST
4 TRYING TO UNDERSTAND THAT.

5

6 **ATTORNEY:** SO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. YES, UNDER THE COUNTY CODE
7 PURSUANT TO THE BOARD'S AUTHORITY UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE
8 SECTION 25303, THE O.I.G. HAS FULL ACCESS. TO THE SHERIFF'S
9 RECORDS. THE ONLY LIMITATION THAT EXISTS IS THAT THE O.I.G.
10 CANNOT OBSTRUCT THE SHERIFF'S CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE FUNCTION
11 UNDER 25303. OTHERWISE, HE HAS -- NOT HE, BUT THE O.I.G. AND
12 THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, HAS FULL ACCESS TO THE SHERIFF'S
13 RECORDS. SHOULD UNDER THE LAW.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY. DOES OBSTRUCTION GO THE OTHER WAY? IN TERMS
16 OF IF THE O.I.G. IS INVESTIGATING SOMETHING, OBSTRUCTION BY
17 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, BY THE SHERIFF? I PROBABLY KNOW THE
18 ANSWER TO THAT, BUT I WAS BEING A LITTLE SARCASTIC.

19

20 **ATTORNEY:** YES. OKAY.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** ON DIRECTIVE NUMBER 2, THE GUARANTEE AND NEED TO
23 KNOW, IN OTHER WORDS, WHAT MECHANISMS ARE THERE TO STOP
24 SOMEONE FROM USING INFORMATION ATTAINED BY A SHERIFF'S
25 DEPARTMENT INTERNAL DATABASE TO SUBSTANTIATE AN ALLEGATION OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **ATTORNEY:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, SO THAT DIRECTIVE ASKS FOR A
2 REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS. THOSE ARE THE VERY ISSUES THAT WE WILL
3 OBVIOUSLY RESEARCH AND THEN REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON.
4 CERTAINLY, THAT IS AN ISSUE, AND THERE ARE OTHER ISSUES, THE
5 OBVIOUSLY WE NEED TO LOOK AT. AND I BELIEVE THAT'S WHY THE
6 DIRECTIVE IS FOR THE A REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS. WE WILL
7 CERTAINLY PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION TO THE BOARD.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THEN ON NUMBER 5, IS THAT DIRECTION ALREADY A
10 FUNCTION OF THE O.I.G.? NUMBER 5?

11

12 **ATTORNEY:** YES. LIKE I SAID, THE O.I.G. UNDER THE COUNTY CODE
13 IS ENTITLED TO SEE -- TO HAVE ACCESS TO AS PART OF THE
14 OVERSIGHT FUNCTION OF THE O.I.G. IS ENTITLED TO SEE
15 EVERYTHING. AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE ALSO MADE THAT CLEAR
16 THROUGH A.B.1185. AND NOT ONLY MADE THAT CLEAR BUT ALSO
17 GRANTED THE O.I.G. INDEPENDENT SUBPOENA AUTHORITY. SO, YES,
18 THE O.I.G. IS ENTITLED UNDER THE COUNTY CODE TO HAVE ACCESS
19 AND TO SEE EVERYTHING.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, AGAIN, I AM JUST GOING TO SAY I THINK IT IS
22 TRULY UNFORTUNATE THAT WE ARE DELIBERATING ON MOTIONS LIKE
23 THIS BASED ON ONE INDIVIDUAL -- ONE INDIVIDUAL, THAT
24 INDIVIDUAL REFLECTS I BELIEVE TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR
25 MITCHELL, WHAT IS PERCEIVED TO BE THE SENTIMENT OF THE RANK



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ISSUES WITH THAT, ESPECIALLY WITH RESPECT TO THE FAMILIES,
2 THE FAMILIES THAT RIGHT NOW ARE STILL IN MOURNING, CONTINUE TO
3 MOURN, AND ARE CONTINUALLY BEING HARASSED, UNFORTUNATELY, AND
4 AS YOU HEARD EARLIER, THERE WAS A YOUNG LADY THAT SAID AFTER
5 THIS TESTIMONY I AM GIVING TODAY, THIS MORNING, I AM PROBABLY
6 GOING TO BE HARASSED AGAIN. HOW DOES THAT SOUND? HOW ARE WE
7 ABLE TO ALLOW THOSE THINGS TO GO ON? I THINK THAT -- I AM ALSO
8 REMINDED THAT THE SHERIFF MAY NOT FULLY APPRECIATE WHAT THE
9 ROLE OF OUR OFFICES ARE AND WHAT WE DO. WE GET MANY CALLS AND
10 COMPLAINTS FROM PEOPLE NOT JUST ON ITEMS LIKE THIS, BUT THE
11 FACT THAT SOMETIMES WE DON'T EVEN HAVE ENOUGH SHERIFFS OUT
12 THERE THAT ARE REALLY AVAILABLE AND ON CALL TO DO THE THINGS
13 THAT THEY WOULD NORMALLY BE DOING. AND THAT IS DISTURBS ME.
14 THE OTHER THING THAT DISTURBS ME IS THAT WE HAVE A HIGH NUMBER
15 OF CASES THAT ARE STILL NOT RESOLVED AND THAT WE HAVE LITTLE
16 INFORMATION. AND THERE ARE MANY, UNFORTUNATELY, PENDING
17 LITIGATION, LAWSUITS, THAT ARE GOING TO COST THE COUNTY A LOT
18 OF MONEY. SO WHILE THE SHERIFF IS BLAMING US FOR NOT DOING
19 ANYTHING, HE IS CREATING PROBLEMS HIMSELF. AND QUITE FRANKLY,
20 I AM EMBARRASSED FOR HIM. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, I AM SPEAKING
21 OUT BECAUSE I THINK THESE FAMILIES NEED TO HAVE JUSTICE DONE
22 AND INFORMATION SHOULD NOT BE BLOCKED FOR THEM AND FOR US AS A
23 BODY SEEKING JUSTICE. SO I WOULD JUST ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE.
24 IF THERE AREN'T ANY QUESTIONS FROM ANY OTHER BOARD OFFICES,
25 THEN I WILL GO AHEAD AND MOVE THIS ITEM. IT'S BEEN SECONDED

EXHIBIT 61



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2021, ON PAGE 231]

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: WELL, GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO
THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHICH IS BEING HELD REMOTELY. TODAY IS
TUESDAY, AUGUST THE 10TH, 2021, AND AS YOU CAN TELL, WE ARE
LIVE. I WILL NOW TAKE ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE
UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED.

SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. MITCHELL: GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

SUP. KUEHL: GOOD MORNING. I AM HERE.

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: GREAT. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

SUP. HAHN: GOOD MORNING. NICE TO SEE YOU ALL.

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

SUP. BARGER: GOOD MORNING. I AM HERE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** NICOLE TINKHAM AND DON HARRISON, CHIEF
7 DEPUTIES, COUNTY COUNSEL?

8

9 **NICOLE TINKHAM:** GOOD MORNING. WE ARE BOTH HERE.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER
12 OF THE BOARD?

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** I AM HERE.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. WITH THAT, MEMBERS, I AM GOING TO
17 CALL ON SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO LEAD US IN OUR MORNING MEETING
18 WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

19

20 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. COLLEAGUES, IF YOU WILL
21 FACE THE FLAG AND PUT YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. READY,
22 BEGIN. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF
23 AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS: ONE NATION
24 UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MEMBERS. AS INDICATED ON THE
2 POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS
3 DURING TODAY'S MEETING. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD
4 RECEIVED OVER 34,000 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S
5 MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF
6 THEM WERE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR
7 CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE
8 WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS THROUGHOUT
9 THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD.
10 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. GOOD MORNING,
13 MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL
14 BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTER, 10:30 A.M. ITEM S-1 IS A
15 DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO C.O.V.I.D.-
16 19. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE THREE,
17 SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ITEM 2-D IS A
19 RECOMMENDATION ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO UNDERTAKE MULTIFAMILY
20 HOUSING REVENUE BOND FINANCING, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$75
21 MILLION, TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE
22 VERMONT MANCHESTER FAMILY PROJECT, A 118-UNIT AFFORDABLE
23 HOUSING PROJECT IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. ITEM 3-D IS A
24 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO UNDERTAKE BOND
25 FINANCING, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$37,950,000, TO FINANCE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SESSION. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM
2 CHAIR.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL
5 HEAR FROM SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE
6 BOARD ON ITEMS 16 AND 73-F, AND HE WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.
7 PLEASE BEGIN, SHERIFF.

8

9 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. ITEM NUMBER
10 16. I BELIEVE MEASURE J WAS FOUND TO BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL IN
11 THE COURT RULING, HERE IN SUPERIOR COURT. HOWEVER, NOW YOU ARE
12 CHANGING THE NAME FROM MEASURE J TO A... WHAT IS THIS CALLED?
13 A CARE FIRST AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE,
14 INSTEAD OF THE MEASURE J ADVISORY COMMITTEE. HOWEVER, CHANGING
15 THE NAME OF IT DOES NOT CHANGE THE NATURE OF IT. THIS ACT IS
16 NOT THERE'S NOT ANY MOMENTUM BEHIND CARE FIRST AND JAIL LAST.
17 THERE'S MOMENTUM BEHIND TAKING CARE OF THE HOMELESS CRISIS
18 THAT'S ENGULFING THE COUNTY. THERE'S MOMENTUM BEHIND GETTING
19 RID OF THE ILLEGAL MARIJUANA GROWS IN THE HIGH DESERT
20 DISPENSARIES IN THE SOUTHLAND. THERE'S MOMENTUM BEHIND TRYING
21 TO FIND A WAY TO SOLVE OUR SURGE IN HOMICIDES. IT IS NOW A 70%
22 INCREASE IN HOMICIDE VICTIMS, COMPARED TO LAST YEAR AT THE
23 SAME TIME. THAT IS WHERE THE MOMENTUM IS AT. THAT IS PUBLIC
24 SAFETY. SO THE \$100 MILLION THAT WAS REMOVED FROM THE
25 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET AND PUT IN A PROVISIONAL FUNDING



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 UNIT, TO THEN HAND IT OVER TO THE MEASURE J, ALL YOU ARE DOING
2 IS CHANGING THE NAME, BUT IT IS THE VERY SAME PROBLEM. AND I
3 LOOKED THROUGH THIS ENTIRE ITEM, NUMBER 16, AND IT LOOKS LIKE
4 A "BUREAUCRATIC ORGY OF WOKENESS" IS THE BEST WAY TO DESCRIBE
5 THIS THING. OH, MY GOD. AND RACE-BASED APPOINTMENTS TO A 24-
6 MEMBER ADVISORY COMMITTEE? THAT'S-- I DON'T KNOW. DO YOU EVEN
7 CLEAR THIS THROUGH COUNTY COUNSEL, THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF
8 THIS? IT SOUNDS... I DON'T KNOW. IT IS HARD TO EVEN DESCRIBE
9 THIS, AND I FIND I AM RATHER EDUCATED ON PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
10 AFFAIRS. I READ THROUGH THIS ENTIRE MOTION, AND ALL IT IS IS A
11 GIVEAWAY OF TAXPAYER FUNDS. IT BELONGS IN PUBLIC SAFETY TO
12 KEEP PEOPLE ALIVE, AND YOU ARE GOING TO GIVE IT TO 501(C)(3)S
13 THAT YOU CONTROL, AND THEY ARE YOUR FRIENDS. AND THAT IS THE
14 SAME HOMELESS INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX NATURE OF THE SERVICE
15 PROVIDERS. ALL THIS MONEY IS GOING TO BE SPENT WITH ZERO
16 ACCOUNTABILITY, ZERO OVERSIGHT, AND JUST LIKE WITH THE
17 HOMELESS INITIATIVE: \$6.5 BILLION OVER TEN YEARS TO SEE THE
18 PROBLEM DOUBLE. SO NOW THAT WE HAVE DESPERATE NEED FOR PUBLIC
19 SAFETY FUNDS TO ADDRESS THESE MAJOR THREATS THAT WE ARE
20 FACING, I HAVE HOMICIDE INVESTIGATORS STRETCHED TO THE LIMIT,
21 TRYING TO MAKE DUE WITH A STAGGERING CASE LOAD. THEY CAN'T
22 KEEP UP WITH IT. AND WE ARE ROBBING PETER TO PAY PAUL, JUST TO
23 SATISFY ALL THE DEMANDS OF OUR CUSTODY ENVIRONMENT. AND THAT
24 \$100 MILLION, YOU SHOULD REALLOCATE IT BACK TO PUBLIC SAFETY,
25 WHERE IT BELONGS, SO WE CAN KEEP PEOPLE ALIVE AND SAFE IN L.A.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 COUNTY. AND THEN YOU CAN START "REIMAGINING" THINGS, WHEN
2 PEOPLE ARE SAFE. BUT THEY ARE NOT GOING TO DO IT THE WAY YOU
3 HAVE DONE IT SO FAR, AND THIS MEASURE, I THINK, IS A FRAUD.
4 THE WHOLE THING. AND THIS ENTIRE CARE FIRST, JAIL LAST, YOU
5 NEED TO START RETHINKING IT, REAL QUICK. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SHERIFF VILLANUEVA.
8 HOWEVER, I KNOW I RESPECTFULLY DISAGREE WITH YOU. NOW,
9 MEMBERS, WE WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ALL AGENDA
10 ITEMS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN
11 INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA, AND EXPLAIN
12 THE SPEAKING RULES TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE
13 CALLING IN TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS INDICATED ON
16 THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC
17 COMMENT SHOULD CALL (877) 226-8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE
18 NUMBER 133-6503. TO REPEAT: PLEASE CALL (877) 226-8163, AND
19 USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 133-6503. DO NOT CALL THAT NUMBER
20 IF YOU ONLY WANT TO LISTEN TO THE MEETING. TO LISTEN ONLY,
21 PLEASE CALL (877) 873-8017 AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. TO
22 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CALLING IN: WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO
23 SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH
24 TO SPEAK ON. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK ON ONE AGENDA ITEM,
25 OR TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK ON TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS. IN



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 BUDGETING PROCESS. THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO WE ARE ATTEMPTING
2 TO GIVE VOICE TO AND ENGAGE THROUGH THE PROCESS THAT WE HAVE
3 ENGAGED IN THIS YEAR. AND THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT WE MUST
4 CONTINUE TO INVEST IN ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION, JAIL-
5 BASED DIVERSION, AND HEALTH SERVICES FOR OUR PEOPLE WHO ARE
6 SUFFERING FROM MENTAL ILLNESS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDERS.
7 SO, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, WE SHOULD ALL REALLY BE CLEAR, I
8 THINK, INCLUDING THE SHERIFF, THAT THE COURT'S RULING
9 REGARDING THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF MEASURE J HAS NO BEARING ON
10 THE ROLE AND POWER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ENGAGE IN A
11 BUDGET PROCESS. IT HAS NO BEARING ON OUR AUTHORITY TO DIRECT
12 FUNDS AS WE SEE FIT. WE HAVE ALWAYS HAD THE AUTHORITY TO
13 DIRECT FUNDS AND TO DEVELOP BUDGETS, AND TO DIRECT FUNDS TO
14 COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS AND ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION IS
15 FULLY WITHIN OUR POWER TO DO SO, AND WE ARE DOING JUST THAT.
16 IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO EXERCISE THAT AUTHORITY,
17 AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HELPING TO ENSURE A COMMUNITY-CENTERED,
18 TRANSPARENT PROCESS. IN ADDITION, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK AND
19 ACKNOWLEDGE THE C.E.O. FOR HER LEADERSHIP IN IMPLEMENTING THE
20 CARE FIRST AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT VISION, A VISION THIS
21 BOARD SHARES, A VISION SHARED BY MILLIONS, AGAIN, OF
22 ANGELENOS. WHILE I APPRECIATE THE NEED FOR DELEGATED
23 AUTHORITY, IN ORDER TO QUICKLY MOVE THIS FUNDING INTO OUR
24 COMMUNITIES, I BELIEVE IT IS CRITICAL FOR THE BOARD TO HAVE AN
25 OVERSIGHT ROLE IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SPENDING PLAN. SO

EXHIBIT 62



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021, ON PAGE 257]**

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, VERY GOOD. WELL, WE'RE GOING TO START THE MEETING NOW. GOOD MORNING AGAIN TO EVERYONE, AND TO THE PUBLIC. WELCOME TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHICH WILL BE HELD REMOTELY. TODAY, AS YOU KNOW, IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021. WE WILL BEGIN BY ROLL CALL, SO PLEASE RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. MITCHELL: GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

SUP. KUEHL: GOOD MORNING. I AM ALSO PRESENT.

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HAHN?

SUP. HAHN: HERE.

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER?

SUP. BARGER: GOOD MORNING. I'M HERE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** PRESENT.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL?

7

8 **RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA:** I'M HERE.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE

11 BOARD?

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASK SUPERVISOR HAHN IF

16 SHE WILL PLEASE LEAD US THIS MORNING IN OUR PLEDGE OF

17 ALLEGIANCE.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY, PLEASE RISE AND FACE WHATEVER FLAG IS CLOSE

20 TO YOU. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES

21 OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE

22 NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR

23 ALL, SOMEDAY.

24



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR HAHN.
2 BEFORE WE BEGIN, I WANT TO ISSUE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT, AS
3 BOARD CHAIR, AND I'D LIKE TO MAKE THIS STATEMENT SO THAT ALL
4 CAN UNDERSTAND HOW WE'RE GOING TO BE PROCEEDING FORWARD, IN
5 TERMS OF HOW WE CONDUCT OUR MEETING. SO, I'D LIKE TO MAKE A
6 STATEMENT BEFORE WE REALLY BEGIN ADDRESSING THE AGENDA ITEMS
7 THAT WE HAVE BEFORE US. AND FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO REMIND
8 YOU, AS YOU KNOW, IN CALIFORNIA'S HISTORY, LOCAL LEGISLATIVE
9 BODIES HAVE PLAYED, AS YOU KNOW, A VERY CRUCIAL ROLE IN
10 BRINGING PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.
11 INDEED, LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODIES ARE CREATED WITH THE
12 UNDERSTANDING THAT SEVERAL LINES ARE BETTER THAN ONE, AND THAT
13 IT IS THROUGH DELIBERATION AND DISCUSSION THAT THE BEST IDEAS
14 EMERGE. IN CALIFORNIA, THE LAW THAT GUARANTEES THE PUBLIC'S
15 RIGHT TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN SUCH DELIBERATIONS IS KNOWN
16 AS THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT. THE BROWN ACT. THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT
17 TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE, HOWEVER, MUST BE EXERCISED UNDER
18 CONDITIONS ENSURING THE ATTENDEES' AND EMPLOYEES' SAFETY. IN
19 RECOGNITION OF THE NEED TO STRIKE A BALANCE, AND IN LIGHT OF
20 THE STATE OF THE EMERGENCY STEMMING FROM THE C.O.V.I.D.-19
21 PANDEMIC, GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM ISSUED EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20
22 ON MARCH 17, 2020, SUSPENDING CERTAIN BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS
23 RELATED TO LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODY MEETINGS VIA
24 TELECONFERENCING. SUBSEQUENTLY, ON JUNE 11TH, 2021, AND
25 BECAUSE OF THE ONGOING C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC, THE GOVERNOR



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, TO
2 OCTOBER 5TH, 2021. THE REQUEST FOR REFERRED BACK AND
3 CONTINUANCES, THROUGH 33-C, ARE BEFORE YOU.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MYSELF, AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
6 HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEMS. THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 26, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. ON
9 ITEM 36, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN FROM THE
10 VOTE. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 29. ON PAGE 27, NOTICES OF
11 CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM CS-1, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
12 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THAT COMPLETES THE
13 READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL GO ON TO ITEM NUMBER
16 FIVE, AND WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO HAS
17 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 20 AND 26. HE WILL
18 HAVE THREE MINUTES. PLEASE BEGIN.

19

20 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I AM GOING
21 TO SPEAK SPECIFICALLY ON ITEM NUMBER... I BELIEVE IT IS 20:
22 ENSURING A TRANSPARENT, INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION INTO DEPUTY-
23 INVOLVED FATAL USES OF FORCE. I AM GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE
24 EXCEPTION TO THE ENTIRE CONCEPT OF IT, AND I'M GOING TO QUOTE
25 FROM YOUR REPORT, OR YOUR MOTION, WHERE YOU SAY, "LACK OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OVERSIGHT AND TRANSPARENCY OF L.A.S.D. INVESTIGATION THREATENS
2 TO FURTHER ERODE THE PUBLIC'S TRUST THAT JUSTICE WILL BE
3 SERVED." I NEED TO STOP YOU RIGHT THERE. THE ONLY PERSON, THE
4 ONLY ENTITY, THAT IS TRYING TO SELL THE IDEA TO THE PUBLIC
5 THAT WE ARE NOT TRANSPARENT, WE DON'T HOLD PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE,
6 IS YOU, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THE PUBLIC ALREADY IS
7 UNDERSTANDING THAT IT IS A STRAIGHT POLITICAL ATTACK ON THE
8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND MYSELF, AS SHERIFF. AND THE
9 INSPECTOR GENERAL, WHO YOU APPOINT, HAS FULL ACCESS TO EVERY
10 SINGLE DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTING, HAS ALL OF THE INFORMATION,
11 SO ANY CLAIM THAT SOMEHOW HE CANNOT DO HIS JOB IS FALSE, AND
12 IS NOT SUPPORTED BY FACTS. BUT NOW THE THREE CASES THAT YOU
13 WANT TO TALK ABOUT-- MR. DANA MITCHELL "MALIK" YOUNG, DIJON
14 KIZZEE, AND THE THIRD ONE, SAMUEL HERRERA-- ALL THREE OF THOSE
15 CASES HAVE ALREADY BEEN DELIVERED TO THE JUSTICE SYSTEM
16 INTEGRITY DIVISION OF THE D.A.'S OFFICE, IN ITS ENTIRETY. THE
17 INSPECTOR GENERAL HAS EVERY SINGLE CASE, IN ITS ENTIRETY. AND
18 SO, IF YOU WANT TO INVOLVE THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN
19 THE INQUEST, THAT WOULD BE VERY UNUSUAL; HOWEVER, THAT IS YOUR
20 CHOICE. BUT I THINK THE WAY YOU HAVE WRITTEN THIS ENTIRE
21 THING, YOU ARE DELIBERATELY MISLEADING THE PUBLIC. THE MANNER
22 AND MODE OF DEATH HAS ALREADY BEEN DETERMINED BY THE CORONER'S
23 OFFICE, IN ALL THREE CASES. EVERYTHING HAS BEEN SUBMITTED. THE
24 ENTIRE CASE FILE IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
25 AND THEY HAVE CONTROL OVER THE PRODUCT AND THE PROCESS. SO,



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ALL WE ARE WAITING FOR IS THE DECISION FROM THE D.A.'S OFFICE,
2 REGARDING THE HOMICIDE, WHETHER IT WAS JUSTIFIABLE OR NOT. AND
3 THE FACTS ON ALL THREE CASES... I MEAN, GOOD LUCK WITH IT. YOU
4 ARE TRYING TO SELL THE IDEA, SOMEHOW, THAT THEY WERE UNJUSTLY
5 MURDERED BY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES. THAT'S REPREHENSIBLE. IN FACT,
6 THAT'S DOWNRIGHT REPULSIVE, WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE FACT THAT
7 MR. MALIK YOUNG KIDNAPPED THE YOUNG LADY, WAS BUSY TRYING TO
8 RAPE HER, FIRED AT THE PEOPLE THAT WERE TRYING TO RESCUE THIS
9 PERSON, AND THEN HE DIED IN A SUBSEQUENT DEPUTY-INVOLVED
10 SHOOTING. IF YOU WANT TO ELEVATE THAT, SOMEHOW, AS SOME
11 INJUSTICE THAT OCCURRED, WELL, WOW, YOU HAVE A STRANGE IDEA OF
12 WHAT JUSTICE INVOLVES. SAME THING WITH MR. HERRERA. WHAT WE
13 GET OUT OF HIS: WE HAD AK-47S, AR-15S, COCAINE,
14 METHAMPHETAMINE, MARIJUANA, IN A SHOOTOUT WITH DEPUTIES, AND
15 HE DIED AS A RESULT OF THAT SHOOTOUT. AND YOU WANT TO SAY THAT
16 HE WAS SOMEHOW KILLED, AND YOU ARE GOING TO ELEVATE THAT AS A
17 SIGN OF INJUSTICE FROM THE DEPARTMENT? THAT'S PRETTY STRANGE.
18 I THINK YOU GUYS-- HOW ABOUT STOP DOING WHAT YOU ARE DOING,
19 AND START HELPING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, INSTEAD OF
20 THROWING ROCKS, AND THEN CLAIM--

21
22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SHERIFF VILLANUEVA.
23 YOUR THREE MINUTES HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENT.
24 MEMBERS, NOW WE WILL TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ALL AGENDA
25 ITEMS, EXCLUDING PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 4. MADAM



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ON TO ITEM 20, ENSURING A TRANSPARENT AND INDEPENDENT
2 INVESTIGATION INTO DEPUTY-INVOLVED FATAL USES OF FORCE, WHICH
3 WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU HAVE
4 THE FLOOR.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I APPRECIATE
7 THE OPPORTUNITY. AND BEFORE I BEGIN TO REALLY ADDRESS THE
8 MERITS OF THE MOTION WE BROUGHT FORWARD, I JUST FEEL COMPELLED
9 TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE COMMENTS THE SHERIFF MADE AT THE TOP OF
10 OUR MEETING. I THINK IT IS UNFORTUNATE, AT BEST, THAT OUR
11 ELECTED SHERIFF APPEARS TO BE EITHER UNWILLING OR UNABLE TO
12 ENGAGE IN CIVIL DISCOURSE ABOUT A PUBLIC POLICY ISSUE THAT IS
13 A PART OF A NATIONAL DEBATE AROUND POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY. I
14 BELIEVE OUR RESIDENTS DESERVE MORE THAN RATHER JUVENILE NAME-
15 CALLING, WHEN IT COMES TO ACTIONS TAKEN BY THIS BOARD AND
16 MOTIONS BROUGHT BEFORE US FOR CONSIDERATION. AND I APPRECIATE
17 THAT SOME L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATIONS HAVE
18 CONCLUDED AND HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO THE D.A.'S OFFICE.
19 HOWEVER, WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT HAPPENED DURING THE COURSE OF
20 THESE INVESTIGATIONS, AND HOW THEY WERE CONDUCTED. AND THAT IS
21 PRECISELY THE PROBLEM THIS MOTION ATTEMPTS TO ADDRESS. THE
22 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL WAS NOT ALLOWED TO MONITOR EVERY
23 STEP OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS, AND SO
24 CONCERNS REMAIN ABOUT THEIR INTEGRITY, GIVEN THE LACK OF TRUE
25 COMPREHENSIVE, INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT. THERE NEEDS TO BE, AT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 CONTINUE TO TAKE ACTION. AND SADLY, VERY LITTLE HAS CHANGED IN
2 THIS RESPECT, AND GIVEN THE PAINFULLY OBVIOUS LACK OF
3 TRANSPARENCY AND OVERSIGHT, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES ARE
4 CONTINUING TO DEMAND ANSWERS. THESE FAMILIES DESERVE, AT A
5 MINIMUM, A BASIC REASSURANCE THAT WHEN IT COMES TO THE
6 INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATHS OF THEIR LOVED ONES, THAT WE ARE
7 NOT JUST TAKING THE DEPARTMENT'S WORD. IT IS FAR MORE
8 PREFERABLE THAT THE SHERIFF ALLOWS THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR
9 GENERAL TO DO ITS JOB OF MONITORING EVERY ASPECT OF THESE
10 INVESTIGATIONS, AND NOT JUST PARTIALLY. THIS IS THE ONLY WAY
11 THE O.I.G. CAN REASSURE THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE NECESSARY
12 OVERSIGHT IS BEING PERFORMED, AND THAT THE BOARD WILL BE
13 INFORMED WHEN THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH AN INVESTIGATION. UNTIL
14 THAT HAPPENS, THE BOARD, I HOPE, WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE STEPS
15 TO PROVIDE AN ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF BRINGING TRANSPARENCY AND
16 OVERSIGHT TO THESE CASES. BY DEVELOPING EQUITABLE POLICIES AND
17 RESOURCES THAT APPLY TO ALL CASES OF FATAL USES OF FORCE, WE
18 CAN SYSTEMATICALLY IMPROVE HOW WE RESPOND TO THESE SITUATIONS.
19 IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO WORK TO PROVIDE WHOLENESS
20 TO THESE FAMILIES, THAT WE CONTINUE TO WORK TO PROVIDE FAIR
21 TREATMENT TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, WHILE NOT SHIELDING THEM FROM
22 ACCOUNTABILITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR THIS
23 OPPORTUNITY, AND TO MY CO-AUTHORS, FOR SUPPORTING THIS MOTION.

24



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. AND BEFORE
2 I TURN TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AS YOUR CO-AUTHOR-- AND THANK YOU
3 FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE YOUR CO-AUTHOR-- IT IS QUITE
4 FRUSTRATING, AND HONESTLY UPSETTING, WHEN WE PUT FORWARD
5 MOTIONS LIKE THIS, BECAUSE IT JUST SHOULDN'T HAVE TO HAPPEN.
6 WHY DO WE HAVE TO DO THIS? BECAUSE, QUITE FRANKLY, WE DON'T
7 HAVE COOPERATION WITH OUR SHERIFF. AND THESE MOTIONS,
8 INCLUDING THE ONE THAT'S BEFORE US TODAY THAT IS SUPPORTING
9 SENATE BILL 2, AND MANY OTHERS, THAT BOTH YOU AND I AND OTHER
10 SUPERVISORS HAVE SUPPORTED, CONTINUE TO NOT ONLY PROTECT OUR
11 RESIDENTS AND FAMILIES FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT MISCONDUCT, BUT TO
12 HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE THROUGH A TRANSPARENT PROCESS. THE
13 MOTION DIRECTS THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER TO CONDUCT
14 INQUESTS INTO WHAT HAPPENED TO THE THREE DIFFERENT YOUNG MEN
15 WHO WERE KILLED AT THE HANDS OF L.A. SHERIFF DEPUTIES. THESE
16 INQUESTS PROVIDE THESE FAMILIES PUBLIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE
17 CIRCUMSTANCES TO THEIR DEATH, BUT PROVIDES SOME SENSE OF
18 SOLACE FOR THESE FAMILIES THAT CAN BE USED AS AN
19 ACCOUNTABILITY TOOL. THE MOTION ALSO GOES BEYOND, IN MANY
20 WAYS, AND THAT IS WHY I WANTED TO BE YOUR CO-AUTHOR, BECAUSE
21 WHATEVER FINDINGS, DOCUMENTS, AND RECORDS A CHIEF MEDICAL
22 EXAMINER OBTAINS THROUGH THE PROCESS, THIS WILL ALSO BE SHARED
23 WITH THE FAMILIES. TIME AND TIME AGAIN, THESE FAMILIES ARE
24 EITHER UNABLE TO GET THIS INFORMATION, DOCUMENTS AND SO FORTH,
25 AND THEY ARE MANY OFTEN TIMES GIVEN THE RUNAROUND. I CAN'T



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 DISTRIBUTED, THOUGH WE DON'T HAVE THIS HANDING OUT ON THE DAIS
2 ANYMORE. IT IS ALWAYS KIND OF LIKE, "HAS EVERYBODY SEEN IT?"
3 AND THE REASON I DID THIS-- AND I WILL READ IT IN-- IS BECAUSE
4 THE MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER SHOULD NOT HAVE TO EXPEND THEIR
5 EXISTING LIMITED BUDGET ON ADDITIONAL INQUESTS, JUST BECAUSE
6 OF THE SHERIFF'S LACK OF TRANSPARENCY. SO I HOPE THAT C.E.O.
7 AND THE STAKEHOLDERS ARE ABLE TO IDENTIFY SOME AVAILABLE
8 FUNDING, IN ADDITION FOR THESE INQUESTS. IT DOES NOT
9 NEGATIVELY IMPACT THE MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER. DEPUTY-
10 INVOLVED SHOOTINGS ARE EXCEEDINGLY TRAUMATIC AND HEARTBREAKING
11 FOR THE FAMILIES OF THE DECEASED, BUT IN THE LARGER SENSE, WE
12 ARE ALL IMPACTED, AS WELL, AND I HOPE THAT THE COUNTY CAN
13 CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR HEALING PROCESS THROUGH INFORMATION-
14 SHARING AND, EVEN MORE IMPORTANT, ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE
15 INQUESTS. SO I ASK IF YOU MIGHT ACCEPT, AS A FRIENDLY
16 AMENDMENT, A FOURTH DIRECTIVE THAT READS AS FOLLOWS: "DIRECT
17 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CHIEF
18 MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER, COUNTY COUNSEL, THE INSPECTOR
19 GENERAL, AND OTHER RELEVANT COUNTY STAKEHOLDERS, TO INCLUDE,
20 "A," INFORMATION ABOUT THE AVERAGE COSTS OF THESE INQUESTS;
21 "B," A BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR HOW MUCH THE INQUEST REQUESTED BY
22 THIS MOTION MIGHT COST; "C," AVAILABLE FUNDING SOURCES TO
23 COVER THESE INQUESTS, SO THAT THE MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER IS
24 NOT SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ABSORBING THESE NECESSARY COSTS;
25 AND "D," A PLAN TO INCLUDE FUNDING IN THE MEDICAL EXAMINER-



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 IS SORT OF THE BARE MINIMUM THAT WE CAN GIVE FAMILIES WHO HAVE
2 LOST SOMEONE. I MEAN, THEY'RE NEVER GOING TO GET THEIR LOVED
3 ONE BACK. WE DO NOT KNOW IF JUSTICE WILL EVER PREVAIL, BUT THE
4 LEAST WE CAN DO IS HAVE A TRANSPARENT INVESTIGATION AND LET
5 THEM KNOW WHAT HAPPENED. I SUPPORT THAT REQUEST BY FAMILY
6 MEMBERS, I SUPPORT THIS MOTION, BUT I SORT OF AGREE WITH
7 SUPERVISOR SOLIS: IT IS ANOTHER ONE THAT I WISH WE DIDN'T HAVE
8 TO DO. I SAID THAT TWO WEEKS AGO AT OUR BOARD MEETING, WHEN WE
9 HAD A MOTION TO TELL THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO IMPLEMENT THE
10 L.A. MODEL AT CAMP KILPATRICK. THEY SHOULD HAVE ALREADY BEEN
11 DOING THAT. THE FACT THAT WE HAD TO TELL THEM TO DO THAT IS
12 FRUSTRATING, A LITTLE BIT. I MEAN, THAT IS OUR POWER AND OUR
13 AUTHORITY, BUT YOU COULD SORT OF WISH PEOPLE WHO WERE IN THE
14 JOB WOULD BE DOING WHAT IS REQUIRED OF THEM. AND I FEEL THAT
15 WAY ABOUT THIS ONE. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO BE THE ONES FIGURING
16 OUT, YOU KNOW, HOW TO CONDUCT TRANSPARENT INVESTIGATIONS INTO
17 USE OF FORCE FROM OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THAT SHOULD BE
18 SOMETHING THE SHERIFF ALREADY DOES, AND TO BE HONEST WITH YOU,
19 IT SHOULD BE SOMETHING HE WANTS TO DO. WHEN COMMUNITIES DON'T
20 TRUST LAW ENFORCEMENT, IT MAKES THE JOB MORE DIFFICULT FOR
21 RANK-AND-FILE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES. AND WE KNOW THAT'S THE CASE,
22 AND SO THE MORE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY THE SHERIFF
23 CAN DELIVER, IT IS BETTER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY ALL THE WAY
24 AROUND. AND I KNOW THAT OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN CALLING FOR
25 TRANSPARENT AND THOROUGH INVESTIGATIONS INTO USES OF FORCE,



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 AND I REALLY WISH THE SHERIFF WOULD TAKE THESE CONCERNS AND
2 REQUESTS SERIOUSLY, AND THAT WE WOULDN'T HAVE TO GO AROUND
3 HIM, AND GO TO THE MEDICAL EXAMINER OFFICE FOR AN
4 INVESTIGATION THAT THE PUBLIC WILL TRUST. AND I WOULD AGREE
5 WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL: HIS COMMENTS AT THE TOP OF OUR
6 MEETING WERE SO INAPPROPRIATE AND SO UNNECESSARY. ALL WE WANT
7 FROM HIM IS, YOU KNOW, "I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU, SO
8 THAT WE CAN ALL WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE THE ACCOUNTABILITY AND
9 TRANSPARENCY THAT THE PUBLIC DESERVES." AND FRANKLY, THE
10 SHERIFF ACTUALLY RAN ON THAT. THAT WAS ONE OF HIS CAMPAIGN
11 PROMISES, WAS MORE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY INTO THIS
12 DEPARTMENT. SO, IN THE MEANTIME, UNTIL THAT HAPPENS, WE NEED
13 THESE INQUESTS. I AM GLAD THAT THE STATE HAS ALLOWED FOR THIS
14 WAY FOR US TO DO IT, AND I SUPPORT WHAT WE'RE DOING TODAY.
15 THANK YOU.

16
17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. ANY OTHER MEMBERS WISH TO BE
18 RECOGNIZED? SUPERVISOR BARGER?

19
20 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. I ECHO SUPERVISOR HAHN. I AGREE. AND
21 FOR ME, THE FRUSTRATION IS, IF THERE IS NOTHING THERE, WHAT
22 ARE YOU AFRAID OF? AND YET, WE ARE BEING TOLD WHAT THESE
23 INDIVIDUALS WERE ALLEGEDLY DOING, BUT YET, WE'RE MERELY TRYING
24 TO GET TO THE BOTTOM FOR THE FAMILIES, TO YOUR POINT. I THINK
25 THE FAMILIES HAVE A RIGHT TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED. BUT MORE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 WITH VERY LITTLE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE LAST FEW DECADES; NOT
2 JUST THIS LAST YEAR ALONE, BUT MUCH LONGER THAN THAT. AND, OF
3 COURSE, WE HAVE 200-PLUS PAGES OF WHAT WE HAVE KNOWN, AND IS
4 AGAIN REAFFIRMING DEPUTY GANGS OF THEIR EXISTENCE, AND EVEN IF
5 THE SHERIFF DOESN'T BELIEVE THAT OR WANTS TO MINIMIZE THEIR
6 EXISTENCE. AND, YOU KNOW, IT TOOK SOME TIME, I BELIEVE, FOR
7 R.A.N.D. TO ISSUE THE STUDY, LARGELY BECAUSE OF C.O.V.I.D.-19.
8 BUT THAT DOESN'T COME AS A SURPRISE TO SOME OF US, AND ALSO TO
9 THE PUBLIC. BUT I DO HAVE SOME QUESTIONS FOR THE R.A.N.D.
10 RESEARCHERS, AND I WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN, IF I MIGHT. I'D LIKE
11 TO POINT OUT THAT I BELIEVE THAT THERE'S AN ERROR IN THE
12 REPORT. ON PAGE TWO, IT SAYS THE BOARD PASSED A MOTION TO
13 REVISE THE COUNTY CHARTER. I WANT TO CLARIFY THAT THAT HAS NOT
14 HAPPENED, TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT IS CORRECTED. CAN YOU RESPOND
15 TO THAT, MR. PETERSON?

16

17 **SAM PETERSON:** YES. I BELIEVE WE HAVE SINCE CORRECTED THAT. WE
18 WERE INFORMED OF THAT ERROR, AND WE HAVE CORRECTED THE VERSION
19 THAT IS CURRENTLY ON OUR WEBSITE.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND ALSO, DO WE KNOW WHAT THE
22 DECIDING FACTORS WERE, AS TO WHY THIS SURVEY WAS NOT PROVIDED
23 TO NONSWORN L.A.S.D. STAFF? BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE
24 ABOUT 18,000 STAFF, OF WHICH 10,000 ARE SWORN, WHICH MEANS
25 THAT A LITTLE UNDER HALF DID NOT HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO OPINE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** SO, IN THE --

2

3 **SAM PETERSON:** OH, SORRY. GO AHEAD.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** GO AHEAD.

6

7 **SAM PETERSON:** OH, SURE. YES, THEY DID HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
8 REVIEW AND PROVIDE EDITS ABOUT FACTUAL ERRORS AND THINGS OF
9 THAT NATURE. THIS WAS IN MARCH OF 2021.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I'LL RAISE THAT, BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND
12 THE SHERIFF HAS MADE COMMENTS IN THE PAST, WHERE HE DIDN'T
13 HAVE TIME TO RESPOND TO THE REPORT, BECAUSE HE HADN'T READ IT.
14 AND THIS IS A QUESTION FOR R.A.N.D. THE SHERIFF SAID AT A
15 PRESS CONFERENCE ABOUT THE REPORT, AGAIN, QUOTE, THAT HE,
16 QUOTE, "READ THROUGH THE ENTIRE REPORT" AND SAID THAT THERE
17 WAS NO REFERENCE TO HIS POLICY, OR THAT HE HAD STAFF WATCH A
18 VIDEO ABOUT DEPUTY GANGS. HOWEVER, THAT IS INACCURATE. THERE
19 ARE ACTUALLY A COUPLE OF PAGES THAT ADDRESS THE REFORMS THAT
20 HE STATED HE MADE. BUT R.A.N.D. AND OTHER OVERSIGHT BODIES,
21 LIKE THE O.I.G. AND C.O.C., HAVE INDICATED THERE ARE
22 INCONSISTENCIES AND A LACK OF CLARITY AROUND SUCH REFORMS.
23 SPECIFICALLY, ON PAGE 170 OF THE REPORT, IT TALKS ABOUT THE
24 VIDEO. AND ON PAGE 171 OF THE REPORT, IT ALSO SAYS THAT HE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 RECOGNIZE SOME OF THOSE THAT HAVE THEIR HANDS UP. SUPERVISOR
2 MITCHELL? QUESTION?

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. A STATEMENT,

5 AND THEN A QUESTION, JUST BASED ON THE POWER OF THE

6 PRESENTATION WE JUST SAW. YOU KNOW, THE SHERIFF, AT A RECENT

7 PRESS CONFERENCE, SHOWED PICTURES OF SEVERAL OF US ON THE

8 BOARD, MYSELF INCLUDED, AND REFERRED TO US AS HAVING, QUOTE,

9 "SOLD OUR SOULS TO THE DEVIL." I AM CERTAIN I DO NOT KNOW WHAT

10 FACT-BASED STATEMENT I HAVE MADE THAT WOULD SUGGEST THE

11 APPROPRIATENESS OF SUCH A REMARK OF ONE DULY ELECTED OFFICIAL

12 ABOUT ANOTHER. BUT I WILL SAY, UPON READING THE R.A.N.D.,

13 STUDY, WHICH I HAVE DONE, AND HEARING TODAY THE SUMMARY, A

14 COUPLE THINGS STRIKE ME. FIRST OF ALL IS A DEEP SENSE OF

15 SADNESS. I FULLY RESPECT AND APPRECIATE THE COMPLEXITY AND THE

16 DIFFICULTY OF THE JOB THAT MEN AND WOMEN WHO TAKE AN OATH TO

17 PROTECT AND SERVE ALL ENCOUNTER. IT TRULY, I BELIEVE, IS A

18 CALLING. I HAVE READ THE NATIONAL STUDIES AND HEARD TESTIMONY,

19 WHEN I WAS IN SACRAMENTO, FROM MEMBERS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT WHO-

20 - AND READ THESE STUDIES THAT TALK ABOUT HEIGHTENED LEVELS OF

21 SUICIDE, HEIGHTENED LEVELS OF ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE,

22 HEIGHTENED LEVELS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, ALL AS A DIRECT RESULT

23 OF THEM ATTEMPTING TO MANAGE THE STRESS AND STRESSORS

24 ASSOCIATED WITH THE JOB. I HEAR THAT, AND I GET THAT. BUT WHAT

25 IS TRAGIC, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, IS THAT THERE IS A DEPARTMENT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 WHERE THERE ARE MEN AND WOMEN, SWORN OFFICERS, WHO, THEIR ONLY
2 OUTLET IN DEALING WITH THE STRESSORS OF THAT JOB IS A
3 CAMARADERIE ASSOCIATED WITH A GANG: GANGS THAT GO BY THE NAMES
4 OF THE JUMP OUT BOYS AND THE EXECUTIONERS; GANGS WHO,
5 ACCORDING TO THE R.A.N.D. REPORT, HAVE ACQUIRED, QUOTE,
6 "HARDENED ATTITUDES TOWARD SEGMENTS OF THE COMMUNITY"; GANGS
7 THAT FEEL THAT IF THEY JOIN, THEY CAN GET SPECIALIZED
8 PRIVILEGES AT WORK. THAT'S WHAT IS TRAGIC TO ME. GANGS THAT
9 SAY, "IF THEY DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO WORK WITH C-GRADE
10 OFFICERS, YOU JOIN THE GANG, SO YOU COULD WORK WITH A-GRADE
11 OFFICERS." THAT IS WHAT IS TRAGIC, BECAUSE THAT, TO ME, SHOWS
12 A HISTORY OF IGNORING THE NEEDS OF THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE
13 DEPARTMENT, AND NOT TRULY LEADING AND CREATING A CULTURE IN A
14 WAY THAT SUPPORTS THEM, AND THE NATURE OF THE WORK THAT THEY
15 DO ON OUR COLLECTIVE BEHALF. THAT'S WHAT IS TRAGIC: THAT THEIR
16 NEEDS HAVE BEEN IGNORED, AND THIS OPTION OF MANAGING ONE'S
17 STRESS, AND CREATING A WORK LIFE WHERE YOU FEEL SAFE DOING A
18 JOB BASED ON THE CAPACITY OF YOUR COLLEAGUE, WOULD SUGGEST
19 THAT YOU NEED TO JOIN A GROUP WITH NAMES LIKE THE JUMP OUT
20 BOYS AND THE EXECUTIONERS. NOT TO MENTION, AS WE JUST FINISHED
21 A CONVERSATION ABOUT RESOURCES AND OUR NEED TO INVEST TO
22 SUPPORT ANGELENOS, NOT TO MENTION THAT SINCE 1990, THAT WE
23 KNOW OF, \$55 MILLION HAVING BEEN PAID OUT AS A RESULT OF THESE
24 ACTIVITIES, ALL IN A SYSTEM THAT IS FORMED AND MODELED AFTER A
25 MILITARISTIC SYSTEM OF COMMAND, WHERE OUR CURRENT SHERIFF AND



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 HIS PREDECESSORS HAVE ALL SAID, THEY HAVE TRIED TO INSTITUTE
2 POLICIES, BUT THEY CAN ONLY GO SO FAR, IN A SYSTEM THAT IS
3 BASED ON COMMAND, AND THAT COMMANDS BE FOLLOWED. IT IS ALL
4 VERY CURIOUS TO ME, BUT THE MORE I READ THE REPORT, THE MORE I
5 LISTEN TO YOU, I AM TAKEN BY HOW TRAGIC IT REALLY IS; NOT ONLY
6 AS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE ON THE RECEIVING END OF GANG
7 ACTIVITY, BUT FOR THOSE WHO FEEL THAT THEY HAVE NO OTHER
8 CHOICE IN THEIR PLACE OF WORK. THAT'S REALLY UNFORTUNATE. MY
9 QUESTION IS, IF YOU COULD TELL US, FROM YOUR PERSPECTIVE, AS
10 ALL RESEARCH STUDIES HAVE LIMITATIONS, WHAT WERE THE
11 LIMITATIONS, FROM YOUR PERSPECTIVE, OF YOUR STUDY?

12

13 **SAM PETERSON:** SO, WE DEFINITELY DOCUMENT SOME OF THOSE IN THE
14 REPORT, BUT I THINK ONE OF THE KEY THINGS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN
15 IDEAL, WHICH IS VERY DIFFICULT IN THIS KIND OF STUDY, IS TO BE
16 ABLE TO SPEAK TO MORE PEOPLE WHO ARE A PART OF THESE GROUPS.
17 OF COURSE, INTERVIEWEES-- YOU KNOW, WE COULDN'T FORCE ANYONE
18 TO PARTICIPATE. RESEARCH PARTICIPATION IS VOLUNTARY. AND I
19 THINK THAT THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT WOULD HAVE DEFINITELY
20 HELPED OUR FINDINGS, AND HELPED OUR CONCLUSIONS. I WILL SAY,
21 WE ATTEMPTED TO ACCOUNT FOR THAT BY USING THE SURVEY. AND SO,
22 OBVIOUSLY, YOU WANT TO SEE A SURVEY RESPONSE RATE THAT'S AS
23 HIGH AS POSSIBLE, AND OUR RESPONSE RATE WAS IN LINE WITH OTHER
24 LARGE SURVEYS OF POLICE DEPARTMENTS. BUT, OF COURSE, IF THAT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT, I WILL RECOGNIZE
3 SUPERVISOR HAHN.

4

5 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU
6 FOR THAT PRESENTATION. IT WAS A LONG REPORT, AND I LIKE THE
7 WAY YOU LAID OUT THE FINDINGS FOR US. I THINK IT WAS VERY EASY
8 TO UNDERSTAND. AND JUST TO CONFIRM, FOR THE PUBLIC WHO MIGHT
9 BE LISTENING, DID YOU INTERVIEW THE SHERIFF HIMSELF, AND THE
10 UNDERSHERIFF?

11

12 **SAM PETERSON:** WE'RE NOT ABLE TO COMMENT ON RESEARCH
13 PARTICIPANTS. WE NEED TO KEEP CONFIDENTIALITY.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY.

16

17 **SAM PETERSON:** WE CERTAINLY HAD MEETINGS WITH THE SHERIFF AND
18 THE UNDERSHERIFF.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN:** OH, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SO, I KNOW WE ARE ALL
21 REFERRING TO SOME OF HIS PRESS CONFERENCES, BUT THE PRESS
22 CONFERENCE LAST WEEK, THE SHERIFF SAID THAT HIS DEPARTMENT HAS
23 ALREADY IMPLEMENTED 30 OF THE 37 RECOMMENDATIONS SUGGESTED BY
24 R.A.N.D. WOULD YOU HAVE MADE THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS, KNOWING



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD ALREADY IMPLEMENTED THEM? AND IF NOT,
2 HOW DO YOU RESPOND TO THE SHERIFF MAKING THAT CLAIM?

3

4 **SAM PETERSON:** WELL, I GUESS MY RESPONSE IS, AT THE TIME OF OUR
5 RESEARCH, WHICH, YOU KNOW, OUR OFFICIAL DATA COLLECTION
6 CONCLUDED LAST FALL, WITH OUR SURVEY. THOSE THINGS DID NOT
7 APPEAR TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE DEPARTMENT AT THAT TIME. AND
8 ADDITIONALLY, WHEN WE PROVIDED THE DEPARTMENT WITH THE REPORT
9 IN MARCH, WE DIDN'T GET FEEDBACK THAT "WE WERE ALREADY DOING,
10 YOU KNOW, 30 OF THE 37." I WOULD HAVE TO LOOK INTO EXACTLY HOW
11 MANY RECOMMENDATIONS WE MAKE IN THE REPORT. BUT WE CERTAINLY
12 COULD HAVE CONSIDERED THAT, AT THAT TIME, AS WELL, BECAUSE THE
13 REPORT HADN'T BEEN PUBLISHED.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN:** AND, I MEAN, DO YOU AGREE WITH THAT NOW?

16

17 **SAM PETERSON:** SORRY, WHICH ASPECT?

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** THAT THEY HAVE IMPLEMENTED 30 OF THE
20 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT YOU HAVE MADE, OUT OF 37?

21

22 **SAM PETERSON:** I AM NOT SURE WHICH RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BEING
23 REFERRED TO, OR-- YOU KNOW, WE ENDED DATA COLLECTION, SO I
24 REALLY CAN'T SAY, FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. SO, I THINK, FOR ALL OF US-- I MEAN, I KNOW,
2 SINCE I HAVE BEEN A COUNTY SUPERVISOR, I'VE BELIEVED IN
3 BANNING THESE SUBGROUPS, THESE GANGS. I THINK THEY'RE
4 ABSOLUTELY INAPPROPRIATE FOR OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, FOR ALL
5 THE REASONS THAT WE KNOW. THE SHERIFF INSISTS THAT HE CANNOT
6 BAN SUBGROUPS OUTRIGHT, BECAUSE IT COULD BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL.
7 CERTAINLY, THOUGH, ONE OF YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS IS, THE SHERIFF
8 SHOULD BAN THESE SUBGROUPS. DO YOU KNOW IF THERE IS ANY LEGAL
9 PRECEDENT TO BANNING SUBGROUPS, OR IF A COURT HAS RULED ON THE
10 CONSTITUTIONALITY OF BANNING SUBGROUPS BEFORE?

11

12 **SAM PETERSON:** THAT, SPECIFICALLY, WAS NOT SOMETHING WE LOOKED
13 INTO. I THINK, YOU KNOW, PART OF OUR PERSPECTIVE IS THAT, OF
14 COURSE, COUNTY COUNSEL WOULD WEIGH IN ON THAT, EXACTLY, AS
15 WELL.

16

17 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. WELL, I AM STRIKING OUT WITH YOU ON THIS. I'M
18 GOING TO GET MY STAFF AFTER THIS. SO, YOU MADE A LOT OF
19 RECOMMENDATIONS AT THE END OF THE REPORT. ACCORDING TO WHAT
20 YOU THINK YOU KNOW ABOUT THE SUPERVISOR'S AUTHORITY TO
21 IMPLEMENT ANY OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS, DO YOU HAVE SOME THAT
22 YOU THINK SHOULD BE PRIORITIZED FOR US, AS WE MOVE FORWARD?

23

24 **SAM PETERSON:** THAT IS A GREAT QUESTION.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THINK THAT IT IS ONLY, "OH, I NEED, YOU KNOW, BUDDIES, AND SO
2 I WILL JOIN THIS GANG." I THINK IT HAS TO DO WITH, REALLY,
3 WORSE BEHAVIORS THAN THAT: DISRESPECT OF THE COMMUNITY, AND
4 THE WAY-- I MEAN, JUST LOOK AT THE WAY YOU SORT OF PILE UP
5 POINTS; DISRESPECT FOR SOME OF YOUR OWN COLLEAGUES, WHO MAY
6 NOT BE LIKE YOU; AND JUST THE GENERAL, "LET'S HAVE A GANG OF
7 OUR OWN THAT IS JUST LIKE US, BECAUSE THAT IS FOR US, AND THEN
8 EVERYBODY ELSE IS NO GOOD, BECAUSE WE'RE THE GREAT KIDS IN
9 SCHOOL." SO I THINK THAT THE MOTION WILL BE VERY HELPFUL IN
10 SORT OF IDENTIFYING IF THERE IS ANYTHING ELSE, BUT I HONESTLY
11 DON'T THINK THAT WE WOULD RUN INTO A CONSTITUTIONAL BARRIER IN
12 BANNING THE GANGS. I THINK THAT THE SHERIFF, IN TALKING ABOUT
13 THAT IN THE PAST, HAS CONFUSED THAT WITH THE NOTION OF
14 TATTOOS, LIKE, "IF I PUT SOMETHING ON MY BODY, IS THAT AN
15 EXPRESSION OF-- YOU KNOW, I AM PROTECTED BY THE FIRST
16 AMENDMENT." AND THE ANSWER MIGHT BE, "WELL, THE TATTOO MIGHT
17 BE, BUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP, AND WHAT YOU DO IN THAT MEMBERSHIP,
18 IS NOT." SO I LOOK FORWARD TO MORE WORK ON THIS, AND I DIDN'T
19 MEAN IT AS A CRITIQUE. I THINK IF I HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH
20 WRITING RECOMMENDATIONS, I WOULD HAVE SAID, "BAN THE THINGS."
21 OTHERWISE, EVERYTHING YOU HAVE TO DO IS JUST TO SAY, "CAN'T
22 WE-- CAN'T YOU, LIKE, ALL GET ALONG? CAN'T WE DO BETTER?"
23 PERHAPS WE HAVE A SOFTER APPROACH. SO, NO CRITIQUE THERE, BUT
24 I THINK THAT IS SORT OF WHAT WE'RE LEFT WITH. THANK YOU VERY
25 MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER MEMBERS WISHING TO BE
3 RECOGNIZED? SUPERVISOR BARGER?

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS A SUPERVISOR WHO'S
6 CURRENTLY FIGHTING GANG SITUATIONS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA,
7 I DON'T TOLERATE GANGS IN OR OUT OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.
8 I THINK THAT TWO WRONGS DON'T MAKE A RIGHT. AND CLEARLY, IN
9 THIS REPORT, I FELT THAT YOU WERE VERY TEMPERED WITH HOW YOU
10 PRESENTED THE FACTS. AND SO I WAS VERY DISTURBED TO HEAR THE
11 SHERIFF'S CRITICISM, BECAUSE, IN FACT, I THOUGHT THIS REPORT
12 WAS VERY BALANCED IN TERMS OF SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THAT WE
13 KNOW EXIST, BUT ALSO RECOGNIZING THAT SOME OF THESE SUBGROUPS
14 ARE NOT NECESSARILY-- I THINK IT'S A-- I THINK NOT ALL HAVE
15 DEMONSTRATED PROBLEMATIC BEHAVIOR. SO I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT
16 FOR US TO DISTINGUISH THAT. AND I WANT TO KNOW, WERE THERE ANY
17 SUBGROUPS IDENTIFIED THAT HAD A PERCEPTION THAT WAS NOT
18 NEGATIVE?

19

20 **SAM PETERSON:** SO, YES. SO, WE TALK ABOUT THIS, GENERALLY, AS
21 THERE BEING A CONTINUUM OF GROUPS. SO, ANOTHER COMMON TYPE OF
22 GROUP, YOU MIGHT SAY, ARE PEOPLE WHO GET STATION TATTOOS; SO,
23 A TATTOO THAT REFLECTS THE LOGO OF THE STATION THAT THEY WORK
24 AT. THAT TYPE OF TATTOO IS USUALLY OPEN TO EVERYBODY TO GET.
25 AND WE ALSO HEARD ABOUT, FOR INSTANCE, YOU KNOW, A SET OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER:** ALL RIGHT. AND THEN, IN CLOSING, I WILL JUST SAY
2 THAT THE SHERIFF, WHO ACTUALLY, I THINK, WAS IN THE EAST L.A.
3 STATION, HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THE BANDITOS, AND SO THERE IS
4 KNOWLEDGE OF GANGS OR SUBGROUPS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. AND I
5 APPRECIATE THIS REPORT, BECAUSE I, AGAIN, DO BELIEVE IT IS
6 TEMPERED, AND I THINK IT'S CONSTRUCTIVE, IN TERMS OF MOVING
7 FORWARD, AND IT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT NOT ALL SUBGROUPS ARE
8 NECESSARILY BAD, BUT THEY CAN AT SOME POINT CROSS THAT LINE,
9 AND THE QUESTION IS, HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THAT THEY DON'T CROSS
10 THAT LINE? AND SO I APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE ON
11 THIS REPORT, AND LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR MOTION, CHAIRWOMAN
12 SOLIS. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE EVERYBODY'S
15 QUESTIONS, MY COLLEAGUES, ON THE MATTER. AND I BROUGHT
16 FORWARD, I THINK, THE ORIGINAL MOTION A COUPLE YEARS BACK,
17 BECAUSE OF THE STRONG, COMPELLING INFORMATION THAT I RECEIVED
18 REGARDING THE GANGS THAT WERE FESTERING, AND HAVE BEEN, FOR
19 THE LAST 50 YEARS; NOT JUST IN L.A., BUT CENTURY AND OTHER
20 PARTS OF THE COUNTY. AND I DON'T THINK ANY OF US HAVE REALLY
21 NOT BEEN, MAYBE, APPROACHED ABOUT WHAT THIS REALLY MEANS TO
22 US, IN TERMS OF THE COUNTY. IT IS SO DISRESPECTFUL. AND I DO
23 FEEL BAD FOR THOSE GOOD DEPUTIES, ESPECIALLY THE NEW TRAINEES
24 THAT WERE BEATEN UP BY THE SO-CALLED GANG IN EAST L.A. I MEAN,
25 THEY DIDN'T EVEN BEGIN THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES, BECAUSE THEY

EXHIBIT 63



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021, ON PAGE 220]

3
4
5 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SO GOOD MORNING, AND WELCOME TO THE
6 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS, WHICH IS BEING HELD REMOTELY, AND TODAY IS, OF
8 COURSE, TUESDAY DECEMBER 7TH, 2021, AN IMPORTANT DAY IN OUR
9 NATION'S HISTORY 80 YEARS AGO. I WILL TAKE ROLL CALL. SO,
10 COLLEAGUES, PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME
11 IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

12
13 SUP. SOLIS: PRESENT.

14
15 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

16
17 SUP. KUEHL: HERE.

18
19 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

20
21 SUP. HAHN: HERE.

22
23 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER.

24
25 SUP. BARGER: HERE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL.

7

8 **ATTORNEY:** I AM HERE.

9

10 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF
11 THE BOARD.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** GREAT, THANK YOU ALL. SUPERVISOR BARGER,
16 WOULD YOU DO US THE HONOR ON THIS SPECIAL DAY IN LEADING US IN
17 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE?

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** ABSOLUTELY. WILL YOU PLEASE STAND AND PLACE YOUR
20 RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF
21 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT
22 STANDS, ONE NATION, UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND
23 JUSTICE FOR ALL.

24



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND, WITH THAT, WE ARE GOING
2 TO BEGIN TODAY'S SESSION WITH A VERY, VERY, VERY SPECIAL
3 TRIBUTE TO OUR OUTGOING CHAIR, SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS. EACH
4 SUPERVISOR WILL, OF COURSE, BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A
5 FEW REMARKS, AND WE ARE GOING TO BEGIN WITH THE DISTRICT FIVE.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THANK
8 YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AS CHAIR THIS YEAR. I KNEW
9 WHEN YOU SERVED AS CHAIR PRO TEM ALONGSIDE ME LAST YEAR THAT
10 WE WOULD CONTINUE TO BE IN CAPABLE HANDS WHEN IT WAS TIME FOR
11 YOU TO TAKE GAVEL, AND YOU DID NOT DISAPPOINT. 2021 PRESENTED
12 OUR BOARD WITH MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES.
13 EVERY STEP OF THE WAY, I ADMIRERED YOUR PRESENCE IN THE THE
14 FIRST DISTRICT AND YOUR PASSION FOR THE AS A COUNTY AS A
15 WHOLE. I AM THANKFUL FOR YOUR SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION ON SOME
16 OF THE MOST PRESSING REGIONAL ISSUES. I ESPECIALLY THANK YOU
17 FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP AS WE WORK TOGETHER TO SERVE PEOPLE
18 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. THIS CRISIS REQUIRES INPUT FROM OUR
19 CITIES AND COMMUNITIES, WHICH IS WHY I WAS SO THANKFUL YOU
20 GAVE OUR LOCAL PARTNERS A LISTENING EAR. I WAS PROUD TO
21 PARTNER WITH YOU TO CREATE THE \$10 MILLION INTERIM HOUSING
22 SERVICE FUND AND THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS,
23 BOTH OF WHICH SOUGHT TO FIND LOCAL SOLUTIONS. YOU HAVE BEEN A
24 CHAMPION FOR COMPASSIONATE CARE, AND I TRULY DO APPRECIATE
25 YOUR WORK TO SERVE THOSE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS THROUGH



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YES. THAT'S THE SAME PROCESS. SO WE
3 LOOK TO SEE -- ONCE WE ARE MADE AWARE, WE GO INTO ACTION. WE
4 WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND TO SEE HOW THE BEST AND MOST
5 APPROPRIATE WAY TO COVER THE UNANTICIPATED EXPERIENCE.

6

7 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THE DEPARTMENT EXCEEDED ITS
8 \$129.6 MILLION OVERTIME BUDGET BY ALMOST HALF, \$50.8 MILLION.
9 IS THAT AN AREA THAT YOU ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH
10 THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT TO REDUCE OVERTIME AND ENSURE THAT
11 THEIR OVERTIME COSTS DON'T BALLOON INTO THE NEXT YEAR?

12

13 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO WE ARE CERTAINLY COMMITTED TO
14 CONTINUING TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO MONITOR THOSE
15 EXPENSES, SO THE ANSWER IS YES.

16

17 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I HAVE HEARD IN CONVERSATIONS WITH THE
18 SHERIFF THAT A PART OF THE OVERTIME CHALLENGE IS TRYING TO GET
19 NEW HIRES INTO THE DEPARTMENT. BUT THE REPORT ALSO NOTES THAT
20 YOUR OFFICE GAVE THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT APPROVAL TO HIRE
21 THREE ACADEMY CLASSES WITH 87 RECRUITS BUDGETED PER CLASS.
22 GIVEN THAT THIS IS PARTLY INTENDED TO MANAGE OVERTIME COSTS,
23 WILL THE HIRING OF NEW DEPUTIES RESULT IN NET SAVINGS, AND IF
24 NOT, WILL OTHER STRATEGIES BE IDENTIFIED TO GET THE DEPARTMENT
25 SPENDING WITHIN BUDGET?



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 APPLIED WHAT I THINK MIGHT BE CALLED A LITTLE ADULT
2 SUPERVISION, WITH THE HELP OF THE C.E.O., AND WITH THAT ADULT
3 SUPERVISION, THE SHERIFF MANAGED TO END UP IN THE GREEN THIS
4 YEAR AND NOT IN THE RED. CLOSING WITH A SURPLUS, AS WE HAVE
5 HEARD, AND ALSO PAYING OFF A \$63.4 MILLION LOAN THAT WAS
6 PROVIDED IN 2018-2019 TO FINANCE THE DEFICIT, ESSENTIALLY.
7 NOW, THE PANDEMIC, OF COURSE, RESULTED IN ECONOMIC AND
8 OPERATIONAL SHUTDOWNS, WHICH DID HELP TO REDUCE THE OVERTIME
9 COSTS, BUT NOT BECAUSE ANYONE TOOK AN ACTION TO DO IT. BUT IT
10 DID HELP FINANCIALLY. BUT AS SERVICES START TO OPEN UP AGAIN,
11 MY EXPECTATION IS IS THAT OVERTIME COSTS NEED TO BE CLOSELY
12 WATCHED SO THEY DON'T SPIRAL UP AGAIN TO PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS.
13 SO NOW THAT ALL OF THE LOW HANGING FRUIT, ONE-TIME MITIGATION
14 EFFORTS HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED, WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO TAKE
15 THIS CLOSE LOOK AT THE OPERATIONS BUDGET TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT
16 THE SHERIFF STAYS WITHIN IT BECAUSE THE EVIDENCE IN THE PAST
17 HAS BEEN A KIND OF A LACK OF INTEREST OF STAYING WITHIN THE
18 BUDGET. SO ADULT SUPERVISION CONTINUES TO BE A NECESSITY,
19 WHICH IS WHY WE -- I AGREE WITH FESIA WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS
20 OF THINGS TO KEEP IN PLACE THE HARD HIRING FREEZE, THE
21 PURCHASING CONTROLS, THE SET ASIDE OF MONEY, SO THAT WE CAN
22 MAKE CERTAIN THAT THESE CONTROLS STAY IN EFFECT AND WORK. SO
23 THANKS SO MUCH TO THE C.E.O. FOR TAKING THESE ACTIONS AND
24 ESSENTIALLY DEALING WITH THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT DAY TO DAY



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ABOUT THEM. AND I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THE REPORT. THANK YOU,
2 MADAM CHAIR.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, WHO WILL BE
5 FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THIS WAS A VERY INTERESTING
8 READ, THIS REPORT. AND I THINK WE HAVE FOUND A LOT OF THINGS
9 THAT WERE MAYBE A BIT SURPRISING. BUT TO THE C.E.O., THERE IS
10 THIS, I THINK IT IS A MYTH, THAT WE ARE DEFUNDING OUR SHERIFF.
11 AND I KNOW HE HAS PERPETUATED THAT BY ACTUALLY HOLDING PRESS
12 CONFERENCES THAT SAYS HE IS BEING DEFUNDED. WHAT I AM SEEING
13 HERE IS THAT HIS TOTAL BUDGET IS \$3.6 BILLION, WHICH SEEMS
14 LIKE IT IS MORE THAN IT WAS LAST YEAR. SO WHAT'S THE TRUTH FOR
15 EVERYONE LISTENING? IS HE RECEIVING MORE OR LESS MONEY THAN HE
16 DID IN THE PAST? THAT'S TO FESIA.

17

18 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I'M SORRY. I WAS MUTED, SUPERVISOR
19 HAHN. THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. HIS BUDGET IS ABOUT THE SAME
20 BETWEEN THIS YEAR AND LAST YEAR. AND LET ME JUST ADDRESS THE
21 DEFUNDING ISSUE. IN 2019, THE BOARD APPROVED THE C.E.O.'S
22 RECOMMENDATION TO SET ASIDE ABOUT \$143.7 MILLION IN THE
23 SHERIFF SHERIFFS BUDGET FOR SERVICES AND SUPPLIES. WHAT
24 ESSENTIALLY HAPPENED, SUPERVISORS, IS WE SET THAT MONEY ASIDE
25 AT THE OUTSET OF THE BUDGET YEAR.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. HAHN:** THAT'S NOT THE ANSWER THAT WE WANTED. SORRY, GO
3 AHEAD.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** WE ARE NOT DEFUNDING HIM. AND WE'RE
6 NOT DEFUNDING -- AND THE \$143.7 MILLION GOES BACK INTO HIS
7 BUDGET OVER TIME OVER THE COURSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN:** THAT WAS THE OTHER THING WAS WHERE DOES THIS MONEY
10 GO. SO IT GOES BACK INTO HIS BUDGET?

11

12 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THAT IS CORRECT. IT GOES BACK INTO -

13 -

14

15 **SUP. HAHN:** SO TO THE PUBLIC, WE ARE NOT DEFUNDING OUR SHERIFFS
16 DEPARTMENT. AND THAT'S GOOD TO KNOW. LET ME FOLLOW UP A LITTLE
17 BIT. I THINK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL ALLUDED TO THIS, BUT LET ME
18 FOLLOW UP ON THE HIRING FREEZE. CAN YOU EXPLAIN THE HIRING
19 FREEZE BECAUSE, AGAIN, THE SHERIFF SEEMS TO INDICATE THAT HE
20 CAN'T HIRE ANY PERSONNEL? BUT MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT HE CAN
21 HIRE BUT JUST HAS TO GO THROUGH AN APPROVAL PROCESS WITH YOUR
22 OFFICE. HOW DOES IT WORK THIS HIRING FREEZE?

23

24 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YES, YOU ARE CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. SO
25 ESSENTIALLY WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR IS THE DEPARTMENT WILL



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SUBMIT A REQUEST TO HIRE, FOR EXAMPLE, DEPUTIES THAT ARE
2 COMING INTO A NEW ACADEMY. WHAT WE ARE REALLY LOOKING FOR,
3 SUPERVISORS, IS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS A
4 SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF VACANCIES SO THAT THE FOLKS THAT THE
5 SHERIFF INTENDS TO HIRE HAS BASICALLY A LANDING SPOT, A
6 POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT. AND SO, WE ARE LOOKING FOR A ONE
7 TO ONE MATCH. ONCE WE CONFIRM THAT, WE APPROVE THE HIRES. SO
8 WE ARE USING THE AMOUNT OF VACANCIES TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF
9 HIRES. THAT'S BASICALLY -- IT'S CALLED AN EXCEPTION. AND SO,
10 IT'S AN EXCEPTION TO THE HIRING FREEZE. THE HIRING FREEZE DOES
11 NOT PROHIBIT, IT IS NOT A BLANKET PROHIBITION ON HIRING.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN:** I THINK THAT'S ALSO IMPORTANT FOR THE PUBLIC TO
14 HEAR. AGAIN, I THINK EVERYONE IS HEARING REPORTS OF CRIME
15 RISING, AND YET WE HAVE A NARRATIVE SOMETIMES COMING FROM THE
16 SHERIFF SAYING HE IS NOT ALLOWED TO HIRE MORE PERSONNEL. SO
17 THIS IS A GOOD CLARIFICATION FOR THE PUBLIC. AND MY LAST
18 QUESTION IS, EVEN WITH THE ADJUSTED SURPLUS, IT IS A \$22
19 MILLION SURPLUS IN THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET. AND I
20 KNOW THAT YOU ARE RECOMMENDING THAT WE KEEP THOSE CONTROLS IN
21 PLACE UNTIL HIS BUDGET IS STABILIZED. SO I THINK, FOR ME, AND
22 MAYBE THE PUBLIC, WHAT DO YOU THINK IT WOULD TAKE FOR HIS
23 BUDGET TO BECOME STABILIZED? AND WHAT WILL IT TAKE FOR YOU, AS
24 OUR C.E.O., TO SAY YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE REMOVING THOSE
25 RESTRAINTS?



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OUR RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY, AND I THINK WE ARE WALKING A
2 GOOD LINE. THE PUBLIC NEEDS TO KNOW WE ARE WORKING TOGETHER.
3 AND WE DO HAVE A COMMON GOAL HERE. SO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

4

5 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. ACTUALLY, SUPERVISOR HAHN
8 ASKED SOME OF MY QUESTIONS. BUT FESIA, I JUST WANT TO
9 UNDERSTAND, FIRST OF ALL, I DON'T THINK IT IS PERCEPTION THAT
10 CRIME IS GOING UP. I HEAR FROM MY CONSTITUENTS CONSTANTLY NOW
11 WITH THE NEWS IN THE MORNING TO FIND OUT THAT SOMEONE IS BEING
12 FOLLOWED HOME, SHOT, BURGLARIZED, SMASH AND GRAB. AND IN THE
13 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, MY CONSTITUENTS FEEL LIKE THERE AREN'T
14 ENOUGH SHERIFFS DEPUTIES. TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR HAHN,
15 SHERIFF VILLANUEVA PUSHES THAT NARRATIVE. AND IN FACT, MY GOAL
16 IS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE HIRING BEHIND THE VACANCIES THAT
17 ARE ON THE BOOKS. AND I AM TRYING TO UNDERSTAND, AS IT RELATES
18 TO THE ACADEMY CLASS, ONE OF THE THINGS HE SAID IS THAT IT'S
19 BEEN REDUCED FROM EIGHT CLASSES TO FOUR. AND THAT'S PART OF
20 WHY HE IS NOT ABLE TO KEEP UP WITH THE VACANCIES. FESIA, DO
21 YOU HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE REGARDING THE FACT THAT IT WAS REDUCED
22 FROM EIGHT TO FOUR?

23

24 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YES, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. I
25 BELIEVE IT WAS IN THE '19-'20 BUDGET, THE DEPARTMENT, AS WE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 IS THAT IN FACT THOSE CLASSES HAVE SUFFICIENT NUMBER TO FILL
2 BEHIND THE VACANCIES, CORRECT?

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SUPERVISOR, I WOULDN'T SAY -- SO WE
5 KNOW THAT TWO THINGS HAVE OCCURRED. THERE IS NATURAL
6 ATTRITION. WE HAVE FOLKS THAT WILL LEAVE DURING A REGULAR
7 COURSE OF BUSINESS, AND WE ALSO KNOW THAT DURING COVID, WE
8 PROBABLY HAVE HAD MORE PEOPLE WHO HAVE SOUGHT TO RETIRE THAN
9 MAYBE THEY OTHERWISE WOULD HAVE. UNDER IDEAL CIRCUMSTANCES,
10 THE NUMBER OF THE INCOMING ACADEMY CLASSES WOULD MATCH THE
11 NUMBER OF VACANCIES OR BE SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR AT ANY GIVEN
12 POINT IN TIME. I DON'T THINK THAT'S THE CASE FOR THE
13 DEPARTMENT. I THINK THAT FOUR ACADEMIES WOULD BE ABOUT 350 NEW
14 HIRES IN A YEAR. AND I BELIEVE THAT THE VACANCY AMOUNT EXCEEDS
15 THAT. ALTHOUGH I DON'T HAVE THAT NUMBER. IT IS IN THE REPORT.
16 I THINK THE VACANCY RATE MIGHT BE ABOUT 600.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** SO THE SHERIFF IS CORRECT THAT WE AREN'T ALLOWING
19 HIM TO HIRE TO FILL HIS VACANCIES?

20

21 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THE SHERIFF IS BEING LIMITED TO THE
22 FOUR ACADEMIES, AND THE 600 THAT WE ARE SEEING, I DON'T KNOW
23 IF THAT IS THE -- THE NUMBER THAT WE WOULD NORMALLY SEE IN
24 LET'S SAY A NON-COVID YEAR. BUT I WILL SAY THAT THE 348 THAT
25 WILL BE HIRED IN FOUR ACADEMIES WOULD NOT BE ENOUGH TO FILL



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE CURRENT -- THE VACANCIES AS OF THE DATE IN THE REPORT,
2 WHICH I THINK IS ABOUT 600.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** SO THE NARRATIVE THAT THE SHERIFF IS GIVING THAT
5 WE ARE NOT AUTHORIZING HIM TO HAVE A CLASS TO FILL THE
6 VACANCIES IS ACCURATE, BASED ON COST? I AM SHOCKED AT \$12
7 MILLION PER CLASS. THAT'S EXPENSIVE.

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO I THINK -- YEAH, THAT IF HE DID
10 THE FOUR -- IF THE DEPARTMENT DID FOUR CLASSES A YEAR, IF
11 THEIR VACANCIES ARE MORE THAN ABOUT 350 DURING THAT YEAR, GIVE
12 OR TAKE, THEN YES, THERE WOULD BE THAT VARIANCE.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN ANSWER THIS, FESIA, AND
15 IF YOU CAN'T, WE WILL RESEARCH IT. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE OUR OWN
16 ACADEMY, AND I KNOW RIO HONDO HAS AN ACADEMY. I WOULD BE
17 CURIOUS TO KNOW HOW MUCH IT COSTS THEM TO RUN THEIR ACADEMY?

18

19 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I DON'T HAVE THAT INFORMATION AT MY
20 FINGERTIPS, BUT WE CAN CERTAINLY FIND OUT WHAT THAT COST IS IN
21 RELATION TO OUR COST AND THEN GET BACK TO YOUR OFFICE.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY BECAUSE, JUST IN CLOSING, I DO HAVE SERIOUS
24 CONCERNS WITH THE VACANCIES THAT ARE CURRENTLY ON THE BOOKS.
25 AND THEN KNOWING THAT WE ARE GOING TO HAVE INDIVIDUALS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YEAH, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE I
2 CLARIFIED THAT SO I AM TALKING APPLES TO APPLES.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THINK, KATHRYN, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A COUPLE
5 OTHER THINGS GOING ON, THOUGH, TOO. ONE IS MAYBE IT WOULD BE
6 GOOD TO KNOW HOW THE VACANCIES WERE FILLED WITH THE ACADEMY
7 CLASSES THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS. LET'S SEE WHAT THE RECORD IS
8 AND IF HE IS REALLY DOING IT BECAUSE TO SAY OH YOU AREN'T
9 GIVING ME ENOUGH MONEY, BUT HE ISN'T PUTTING THE RECRUITS TO
10 WORK, ETC., I THINK THAT WOULD BE GOOD FOR US TO KNOW. THE
11 OTHER THING IS WE MAY BE LOOKING AT HAVING TO SAY TO MANY
12 SHERIFFS DEPUTIES, YOU CONTINUE TO REFUSE TO BE VACCINATED.
13 YOU ARE NOT FULFILLING THE REQUIREMENT OF THE COUNTY. YOU DO
14 NOT HAVE AN EXEMPTION. I AM SORRY YOU ARE OUT OF HERE. AND
15 THAT IS SOMETHING THAT THE BOARD THEN WILL WANT TO CONSIDER IN
16 RAISING THE ACADEMY CLASSES, NOT TO MENTION WHETHER WE WANT TO
17 REQUIRE VACCINATION TO GET INTO THE ACADEMY CLASSES, ALL OF
18 WHICH I THINK WE SHOULD TALK ABOUT OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** NOTED. ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

21

22 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR THEIR
25 QUESTIONS. I THINK ONE OF MY CONCERNS THAT'S ALREADY BEEN



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 STATED IS THE MISINFORMATION THAT'S OUT THERE AND IT'S BEEN
2 GENERATED BY THE SHERIFF TO OUR INDEPENDENT CITIES, STATING
3 THAT SOMEHOW, NOT JUST IN THIS EXAMPLE THAT WE'RE NOT HIRING
4 DEPUTIES, BUT ALSO WITH METRO. AND AS YOU CAN SEE AS OF LAST
5 WEEK, THAT WAS NOT THE CASE. WE ACTUALLY HELPED TO SUSTAIN
6 THREE CONTRACTS WITH L.A.P.D., WHO HAD MORE OVERTIME THAN EVEN
7 OUR SHERIFFS, AND LONG BEACH AS WELL AS THE SHERIFF. SO I
8 THINK PEOPLE NEED TO CHECK ON SOME OF THE THINGS THAT HE
9 STATES, AND WHEN HE PUTS THOSE BITS OF INFORMATION OUT ON
10 FACEBOOK OR HIS WEDNESDAY MEETING, I THINK PEOPLE NEED TO FACT
11 CHECK THAT, AND WE SHOULD BE DOING THAT TOO AS A COUNTY. I AM
12 CONCERNED, AGAIN, ABOUT SERVICE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS,
13 FOR EXAMPLE, IN EAST L.A. WHERE WE HAVE A VERY, VERY BUSY AND
14 VOLATILE COMMUNITY. MANY THINGS HAPPEN, NOT ALL NEGATIVE, BUT
15 BY AND LARGE WHEN I CONTINUE TO GET COMPLAINTS WHEN DEPUTIES
16 ARE CALLED TO COME TO THE SCENE OF A CRIME OR SOME ISSUE HAS
17 TO BE ADDRESSED THAT THEIR TIME TO GET TO THOSE PLACES VARIES
18 FAR AND WIDE. SOME OF THE EXCUSES I GET IS THAT WELL, THEY ARE
19 ASSIGNED TO THE DEPUTIES ASSIGNED IN EAST L.A. ARE ACTUALLY
20 DOUBLE BOOKED BECAUSE THEY GO TO CONTRACT CITIES. SO IN FACT,
21 I BELIEVE IN MANY CASES WE ARE SUBSIDIZING HIS CONTRACT FOR
22 CONTRACT CITIES. AND THAT IS REALLY A DISSERVICE FOR MY
23 RESIDENTS, NOT JUST IN EAST L.A., BUT EVEN CITY OF COMMERCE
24 AND THE SOUTHEAST COMMUNITIES BECAUSE WE HAVE HAD MANY
25 INCIDENTS THAT OCCUR, AND WE STILL DO NOT SEE ENOUGH PRESENCE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM, SORRY ABOUT THAT, TO FIND WAYS TO HAVE
2 SOMEWHERE ELSE FOR THESE WOMEN TO GO SO THEY CAN GET THE
3 SERVICES THAT THEY NEED, MEDICALLY, AND ALSO REHABILITATIVE
4 SERVICES TO LOOK AT WAYS TO PREVENT FUTURE INCARCERATION. SO
5 THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE ARE WORK WITHING THE DEPARTMENT
6 WITH, AND WE DO CONTINUALLY ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO REVIEW THE
7 CHARGES OF SOME OF THESE INDIVIDUALS. AND THIS APPLIES TO
8 PERSONS ALSO WHO ARE NOT PREGNANT AND IN CUSTODY. RIGHT? WE
9 ARE LOOKING AT WAYS THAT WE CAN REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION
10 BECAUSE, OBVIOUSLY, EVERYONE IN THE JAIL IS SAFER IF IT IS AT
11 ITS RATED CAPACITY. SO THAT'S FIRST AND FOREMOST. BUT WE WILL
12 CONTINUE TO EXPLORE WAYS TO SPECIFICALLY TO HAVE PREGNANT
13 WOMEN RELEASED. I DO BELIEVE THAT THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND
14 REENTRY IS INVOLVED IN MAKING SURE THAT PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE
15 FOR THESE WOMEN. THAT'S SOMETHING THAT MS. BELTZ MIGHT SPEAK
16 TO MORE DIRECTLY THAN I COULD, BUT I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN
17 MEETINGS WHERE I HAVE HEARD JUDGE ESPINOZA SPEAK ABOUT
18 PREGNANT WOMEN AND MAKING SURE THAT THEY ARE PUT INTO
19 ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF INCARCERATION.

20
21 **SUP. KUEHL:** I WOULD BE INTERESTED TO FOLLOW UP ON WHAT YOU
22 SAID ABOUT THE SHERIFF THINKING THAT THERE WERE IMPEDIMENTS
23 BECAUSE SOMETIMES I THINK THAT THERE MAY BE A MISUNDERSTANDING
24 OR A MISINTERPRETATION OF AN ABILITY TO FIND AN ALTERNATIVE
25 PLACEMENT. AND WE BRING A LOT OF MOTIONS, BUT IT IS KIND OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 DEEP CONCERN THAT THEY DIDN'T SEE PREGNANT WOMEN RELEASED AT
2 THE SAME RATE AS OTHERS DURING COVID. SO I WILL JOIN YOU IN
3 THAT. I SAW THE HANDS OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOLLOWED BY
4 SUPERVISOR BARGER.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR HOLDING THE
7 ITEM, AND I TOO, SOME HAVE GREAT CONCERNS. BUT I, FIRST OF
8 ALL, WANT TO THANK THE INSPECTOR GENERAL AND HIS TEAM FOR
9 ISSUING THIS QUARTERLY REPORT. BUT AS I KNOW SOME OF US IN THE
10 FEEL RIGHT NOW A BIT OF FRUSTRATION BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF
11 COOPERATION FROM THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT WHEN IT COMES TO
12 PROVIDING LEGALLY MANDATED MATERIALS AND DOCUMENTS TO THE
13 INSPECTOR GENERAL AND THE OTHER ENTITIES LIKE THE CIVILIAN
14 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. IF PEOPLE RECALL, THE BOARD CREATED THE
15 O.I.G. AND C.O.C. BECAUSE RESIDENTS DEMANDED TRANSPARENCY AND
16 A CHANGE OF THE SHERIFF AND THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT, AND WE
17 KNOW THAT 72 PERCENT OF VOTERS IN L.A. COUNTY OVERWHELMINGLY
18 SUPPORTED MEASURE R. THEY GAVE OUR C.O.C. SUBPOENA POWER
19 BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO HOLD THE SHERIFF AND THE DEPARTMENT
20 ACCOUNTABLE FOR MISCONDUCT. SO I DO HAVE A COUPLE OF
21 QUESTIONS. THE ONE I'D LIKE TO START WITH IS, AGAIN, TO
22 EXPRESS MY FRUSTRATION, AND THIS IS FOR DARA IF SHE CAN ANSWER
23 IT, WITH RESPECT TO BODY WORN CAMERAS. I CONTINUE TO BE
24 CONCERNED THE SHERIFF IS NOT ADHERING TO ANY OF THE
25 RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING BODY CAMERA FOOTAGE AND ITS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 COUNTY COUNSEL, AND THEY KNOW OF ALL OF THE SHERIFFS
2 DEPARTMENT'S FAILURES TO PROVIDE US WITH INFORMATION.
3 UNFORTUNATELY, THAT IS WHAT WE ARE LEFT WITH DESPITE OBVIOUS
4 NEW TOOLS THAT WE WERE GIVEN BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE IN ORDER
5 TO ENFORCE OUR OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS. THAT INCLUDES IN JANUARY A
6 NEW STATUTE WILL COME INTO EFFECT WITH DEPUTY GANGS, AND, IN
7 FACT, IT LABELS THEM AS DEPUTY GANGS. THAT'S PENAL CODE 13670,
8 AND WE ARE NOT ONLY TASKED REALLY WITH INVESTIGATING THAT, I
9 GUESS I SHOULDN'T SAY TASKED, THE BOARD HAS TASKED US WITH
10 THAT, BUT THE STATUTE GIVES US THE POWER TO CONDUCT THESE
11 INVESTIGATIONS. AND ANOTHER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 25303.7
12 SPECIFICALLY SAYS THAT INVESTIGATIONS BY AN INSPECTOR GENERAL
13 DO NOT INTERFERE OR OBSTRUCT SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT OR LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATIONS.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** IT IS A SHAME. I WOULD IMAGINE WE ARE GOING TO
17 NEED TO REALLY DRILL DOWN ON THIS FURTHER SINCE WE DO NOT
18 HAVE THE COOPERATION OF THE SHERIFF OR THE DEPARTMENT. BUT I
19 DID HAVE ONE, MAYBE TWO MORE COMMENTS. ONE DEALING WITH
20 CUSTODY DEATHS BECAUSE I CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE
21 NUMBER OF DEATHS IN OUR JAILS AS WELL AS SUICIDES OCCURRING IN
22 THE JAILS. AND I'M TROUBLED BECAUSE INITIAL REPORTS INDICATE
23 THAT WHEN INDIVIDUALS ARE FOUND, THEY ARE FOUND UNRESPONSIVE.
24 IS ANYONE THERE POSSIBLY ABLE TO ANSWER THIS QUESTION OF HOW
25 THOROUGH ARE THE DEATH REVIEWS THAT ARE CONDUCTED AFTER DEATHS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER:** THIS BOARD HAS BEEN VERY FOCUSED, EARLY ON, WHEN
2 ACTUALLY MARK ALLEY WAS OVER THE JAILS, ABOUT PROVIDING
3 RECRUITMENT RESOURCES TO GET INDIVIDUALS TO BE HIRED AND
4 PLACED IN OUR JAILS. AND I DON'T THINK IT HAS GOTTEN ANY
5 BETTER THERE. SO I THINK THAT ASIDE FROM WHAT WE'RE TALKING
6 WITH THE SHERIFF ON THIS REPORT, IT WOULD BENEFIT THIS BOARD
7 TO UNDERSTAND, FROM YOUR PERSPECTIVE, AND NOT TODAY, BUT YOU
8 CAN TOUCH ON IT, WHAT RESOURCES ARE NEEDED AND WHERE YOU FIND
9 DEFICIENCIES BECAUSE I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS, IF YOU --
10 YOU HAVE TO WAIT THAT LONG, AND YOU ARE IN PAIN, THAT IS,
11 WHETHER IT IS OUTSIDE THE JAIL OR INSIDE THE JAIL, IS NOT
12 HUMANE. SO I THINK THAT WE NEED TO LOOK AT THAT FROM NOT THE
13 LENS OF L.A.S.D., BUT FROM THE LENS OF D.H.S. GIVING YOU THE
14 RESOURCES YOU NEED TO DO YOUR JOB IN THE JAILS.

15
16 **TIM BELAVICH:** THANK YOU FOR THE COMMENTS FOR MY STAFF ON THOSE
17 REPORTS. I WILL DEFINITELY PASS THAT ALONG AND APPRECIATE
18 THAT. BUT IN TERMS OF OUR HIRING AND RECRUITMENT PROCESS, YES
19 IT IS CHALLENGING. THIS IS A DIFFICULT PLACE TO WORK. AND WE
20 ARE NOT SET UP TO BE A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER. WE DO NOT HAVE
21 STATE OF THE ART CLINICS OR FACILITIES. SO THE PEOPLE WHO DO
22 COME TO WORK HERE ARE VERY DEDICATED TO THE WORK THEY DO. THE
23 RECRUITMENT PROCESS IS VERY CHALLENGING, AND, JUST OVERALL,
24 THE COUNTY HIRING PROCESS IS VERY DIFFICULT. IT COULD TAKE
25 ANYWHERE FROM SIX TO EIGHT MONTHS TO BRING A PERSON ON BOARD



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 OF THING, WHICH WE ARE NOW IDENTIFYING A HIGHER LEVEL OF CRIME
2 THAT WE HAVE VERY LIMITED AUTHORITY TO REMOVE.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** SO THE SECOND PART OF THE O.I.G. REPORT TALKS
5 ABOUT THINGS YOU NEED TO DO FOR THOSE THAT CAN'T BE RELEASED,
6 WHICH I AGREE. ENSURING THE BOTTLED WATER, PRE-NATAL DIETS,
7 ACCESS TO PROGRAMS BECAUSE WE WANT THEM TO BE TAKEN CARE OF,
8 THE BABY, YOU KNOW, IN -- I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO
9 RECOGNIZE THAT THERE ARE NEEDS ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT TYPICALLY
10 A WOMAN MAY NEED IN CUSTODY. SO I DON'T THINK YOU DISAGREE
11 WITH THOSE TYPE OF SUPPORT SERVICES OR MEDICAL SERVICES TO --
12 FOR WOMEN THAT ARE PREGNANT THAT ARE INCARCERATED.

13

14 **ASSISTANT SHERIFF CORBETT:** AGREED, SUPERVISOR. IN FACT, THAT
15 IS WHERE I WAS MAKING MENTION EARLIER WITH THE DOULA PROGRAM
16 AND THE OTHER PROGRAMS THAT WE ARE DOING TO TRY TO SUPPORT THE
17 PREGNANT FEMALES, DURING THEIR PREGNANCY AND AFTER THEY GIVE
18 BIRTH. AGREED, ALL OF THOSE WE THINK ARE IMPORTANT.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THEN LAST BUT NOT LEAST, THIS IS MORE OF A
21 STATEMENT, AS IT RELATES TO THE O.I.G. AND THE COMMENT THAT
22 YOU ARE NOT BEING PROVIDED ACCESS, IT IS UNFORTUNATE. AND
23 ASSISTANT SHERIFF CORBETT, THIS IS NOT FOR YOU TO RESPOND
24 BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO PUT YOU IN AN AWKWARD POSITION. IT IS
25 UNFORTUNATE THAT WE DON'T HAVE OR YOU DON'T HAVE THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

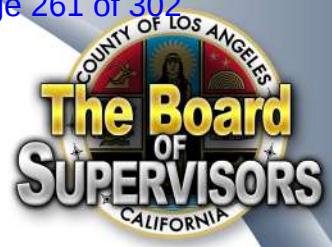
1 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SHERIFF THAT HAS TRANSPARENCY BECAUSE WE
2 DON'T KNOW, AS IT RELATES TO THE CAMERAS, THAT THEY AREN'T
3 DOING WHAT YOU SAY THEY ARE DOING, AND WHERE I GET FRUSTRATED
4 IS, WHEN I GO OUT TO THE DIFFERENT STATIONS, AND I TALK TO THE
5 SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES, THEY ARE DOING THEIR JOB, AND THEY ARE
6 WORKING HARD, AND THEY APPRECIATE THE CAMERAS, AND IN FACT
7 RECOGNIZE THAT THIS IS A TOOL THAT GOING TO PROTECT THEM AS
8 MUCH AS PROTECT THE PUBLIC. AND SO, I AM NOT GOING TO ASSUME
9 THEY ARE NOT DOING IT. I AM GOING TO ASSUME THE HIERARCHY IN
10 THE DEPARTMENT IS NOT PROVIDING YOU THAT INFORMATION, QUITE
11 FRANKLY, BECAUSE THEY DON'T FEEL LIKE THEY HAVE TO. AND I'M
12 SURE THERE ARE THOSE INSTANCES WHERE PEOPLE HAVING TO GET USED
13 TO TURNING ON THEIR CAMERAS BECAUSE IT IS A NEW PRACTICE FOR
14 MANY, BUT I, HONESTLY, BELIEVE THAT THE MAJORITY OF THOSE THAT
15 DIDN'T OR DON'T ARE STILL GETTING USED TO IT, AND IT IS NOT
16 INTENTIONAL, AND I WOULD HOPE THAT WE WOULD ASSUME INNOCENT
17 UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY, SINCE THAT IS WHAT THIS BOARD TALKS
18 ABOUT, IS REDEMPTION AND ALL. I THINK WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, I
19 AM NOT GOING TO ASSUME THE DEPUTIES HAVE THE INTENT TO
20 UNDERMINE OR SKIRT THE LAW, IF YOU WILL, AS IT RELATES TO SOME
21 OF THE INSTRUCTIONS THAT ARE BEING GIVEN BY THE O.I.G. ON
22 CAMERAS AND HOW TO USE THEM, AND I JUST WANT TO STATE THAT FOR
23 THE RECORD. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

24
25 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

EXHIBIT 64



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2022, ON PAGE 278]**

SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO THE
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS, WHICH IS BEING HELD REMOTELY, AND TODAY IS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH. HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY, A DAY LATE.
PLEASE NOTE THAT SUPERVISOR HAHN WILL BE JOINING US A LITTLE
LATER IN THE MEETING. LET'S GO AHEAD AND TAKE ROLL TO CONFIRM
ATTENDANCE. EVERYBODY UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND GET READY.

SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. SOLIS: HERE.

SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

SUP. KUEHL: HERE.

SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER?

SUP. BARGER: HERE.

SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE
OFFICER?



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL?

5

6 **RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA:** I AM HERE.

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF
9 THE BOARD?

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

12

13 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** GREAT. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE.

14 SUPERVISOR BARGER, WOULD YOU DO US THE HONOR BY LEADING US IN
15 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE?

16

17 **SUP. BARGER:** I WILL. WOULD YOU PLEASE STAND? PUT YOUR RIGHT
18 HAND OVER YOUR HEART. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE
19 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT
20 STANDS: ONE NATION, UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND
21 JUSTICE FOR ALL. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND THANK YOU. AS INDICATED ON THE
24 POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS
25 SEPARATELY, FOR REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS AND FOR THE PUBLIC



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 HEARING ITEM, DURING TODAY'S MEETING. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF
2 THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 900 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR
3 TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED,
4 ALL OF THEM WERE ALL AVAILABLE TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR
5 CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE
6 WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS THROUGHOUT
7 THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD.
8 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA?

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
11 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTERS
12 ONE AND TWO. SET MATTER ONE IS A REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
13 OFFICER AND APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT HEADS AS NECESSARY, ON THE
14 STATUS OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING, AND CONSIDERATIONS
15 OF NECESSARY ACTION. SET MATTER TWO IS A DISCUSSION AND
16 CONSIDERATION OF NECESSARY ACTIONS ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER
17 RELATED TO C.O.V.I.D.-19, AND STATUS OF THE C.O.V.I.D.-19
18 VACCINE. THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. PUBLIC
19 HEARING ITEM 3 WILL BE ALSO HELD FOR A HEARING. ON PAGE FOUR,
20 CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 4 THROUGH 26. ON
21 ITEM FOUR, THIS INCLUDES AN ADDITION, AS INDICATED ON THE
22 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 6, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT
23 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 7, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS
24 ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON
25 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION, AS
2 WELL AS COUNTY COUNSEL, THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, THE
3 CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, AND THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, FOR
4 YOUR WORK ON THIS. INCREASING THE PUBLIC'S ACCESS TO THE
5 SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S RECORDS ON USE OF FORCE AND ALLEGED
6 MISCONDUCT IS INCREASINGLY VITAL TO STRENGTHENING PUBLIC
7 TRUST. THIS MOTION TAKES STEPS TOWARDS ADOPTING AND
8 IMPLEMENTING AN ORDINANCE TO ENSURE THE SHERIFF COMPLIES WITH
9 HIS OBLIGATIONS UNDER STATE LAW, SENATE BILL 1421, THAT I WAS
10 PROUD TO CO-AUTHOR, TO DISCLOSE THESE RECORDS. INSPECTOR
11 GENERAL MAX HUNTSMAN HAS JOINED US, AND IS AVAILABLE TO ANSWER
12 QUESTIONS ANY OF YOU MAY HAVE. I AM GOING TO START, IF YOU
13 DON'T MIND, BY ASKING MR. HUNTSMAN TO SHARE WHAT YOU CAN, WITH
14 REGARD TO THE MOST RECENT DATA ON THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S
15 COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW, SENATE BILL 1421.

16

17 **MAX HUNTSMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, AND THANK YOU,
18 SUPERVISOR, FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. I
19 CANNOT PROVIDE YOU STATISTICS, BECAUSE THE SHERIFF'S
20 DEPARTMENT NO LONGER PROVIDES INFORMATION REGARDING COUNTY
21 RECORDS IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS TO COUNTY LAWYERS,
22 MYSELF INCLUDED. I CAN SAY THAT IF YOU LOOK ON THEIR WEBSITE,
23 REGARDING WHERE THE SHERIFF CLAIMS TO HAVE TRANSPARENCY
24 REGARDING SHOOTINGS, YOU WILL SEE THAT ALTHOUGH THERE HAS BEEN
25 AN IMPROVEMENT IN IDENTIFYING THE DEPUTIES INVOLVED IN A



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 DEPARTMENT'S CONSTANT BLOCKS, ARE UNABLE TO INDEPENDENTLY
2 INVESTIGATE AND EVEN ACCESS COMPLETE BODY-WORN CAMERA FOOTAGE.
3 AND I'LL REMIND FOLKS THAT THE BODY-WORN CAMERA WAS SOMETHING
4 THAT THIS BOARD ADVOCATED FOR AND FULLY FUNDED, BECAUSE THE
5 PUBLIC NEEDED ANOTHER TOOL IN OVERSIGHT OF THE SHERIFF'S
6 DEPARTMENT. AND FOR THE O.I.G. TO ONLY GET SNIPPETS OF VIDEOS
7 OF DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS, INCLUDING FATAL SHOOTINGS, IS
8 UNHEARD OF, AND YET IT CONTINUES. BECAUSE OF THE SHERIFF'S
9 DEPARTMENT EITHER INABILITY OR REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH THE LAW,
10 SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN IN LAW SINCE 2019, I AM CO-AUTHORING
11 THIS MOTION TO SHIFT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PRODUCTION OF
12 P.R.A. AND S.B. 1421 DOCUMENTS TO OUR COUNTY COUNSEL. I
13 BELIEVE THAT COUNTY COUNSEL WILL BE BETTER SUITED FOR THE
14 TASK, AND MY EXPECTATION IS THAT COUNTY COUNSEL WILL BE A
15 BETTER PARTNER TO THE PUBLIC, TO THE OVERSIGHT ENTITIES, AND
16 TO THIS BOARD, AND TO BE MORE TRANSPARENT TO TAXPAYERS, AND
17 HOLD THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTABLE TO THE VICTIMS AND
18 SURVIVORS OF DEPUTY MISCONDUCT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

19
20 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

21
22 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THERE'S KIND OF A
23 DISTURBING PATTERN OF NEEDING TO DO WORKAROUNDS, WHERE THE
24 SHERIFF WON'T DO HIS JOB. AND THIS IS NOT THE ONLY DEPARTMENT
25 THAT RECEIVES P.R.A.S, BUT IT IS CERTAINLY THE ONLY DEPARTMENT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THAT FAIRLY CONSISTENTLY TRIES TO PUT BARRIERS IN THE PLACE OF
2 MEETING THEM. I KNOW THAT SOME OF THE FUNDING WILL STILL NEED
3 TO GO TO THE SHERIFF, AND I WANTED TO ASK YOU, MR. HUNTSMAN,
4 HOW MUCH, UNDER THIS NEW MOTION, SHOULD IT PASS TODAY, WOULD
5 WE STILL NEED TO RELY ON THE SHERIFF FOR INFORMATION?

6

7 **MAX HUNTSMAN:** WELL, QUITE A BIT, AT LEAST INITIALLY. AS YOU
8 KNOW, AND AS YOU JUST MENTIONED, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS
9 A WIDE RANGE OF WAYS IN WHICH IT'S BLOCKING ACCESS, BY COUNTY
10 LAWYERS AND COUNTY AGENCIES, TO ITS INFORMATION AND THE
11 PUBLIC'S ACCESS. ONE OF THE PIECES OF THIS BOARD, AND COUNTY
12 COUNSEL'S RESPONSE TO THAT, IS A SERIES OF LITIGATIONS WHICH
13 HAVE TAKEN PLACE TO COMPEL THE SHERIFF TO FOLLOW HIS LEGAL
14 OBLIGATIONS. THOSE HAVE ALL BEEN SUCCESSFUL SO FAR, BUT THEY
15 ARE FAR FROM FINISHED, AND ONE, I THINK, SOON, THAT THIS BOARD
16 HAS REQUESTED IS LITIGATION REGARDING OUR ACCESS TO SOME OF
17 THESE RECORDS WE ARE TALKING ABOUT. SIMILARLY, COUNTY COUNSEL
18 NEEDS ACCESS, AND THAT CAN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT THE SHERIFF'S
19 DEPARTMENT PROVIDING THE DOCUMENTS UNDER THE CURRENT WAY IN
20 WHICH OUR COMPUTER SYSTEMS ARE SET UP. WE ARE HOPING THAT WE
21 CAN GET A LEGAL CHANGE TO THAT PROCESS, SO THAT THE COUNTY
22 LAWYERS CAN HAVE ACCESS TO COUNTY RECORDS. BUT UNTIL THAT
23 HAPPENS, WE ABSOLUTELY NEED THE COOPERATION OF THE SHERIFF'S
24 DEPARTMENT, AND IF THEY DO NOT PULL THE RECORDS AND PROVIDE
25 THEM, THEN THE PUBLIC WILL NEVER SEE THEM.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. KUEHL:** WELL, I WOULD HOPE THAT THERE MIGHT BE A WAY, AND
3 MAYBE THE C.E.O. CAN TELL ME. IF WE WERE TO DESIGNATE FUNDS
4 SPECIFICALLY FOR THIS PURPOSE, DO WE HAVE ANY WAY TO MAKE
5 CERTAIN THAT THE FUNDS ARE USED FOR PERSONNEL THAT WILL DO
6 THESE JOBS?

7

8 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND I JUST
9 WANT TO CLARIFY IN YOUR QUESTION: YOU MEAN, IF THE FUNDS ARE
10 DEDICATED TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE?

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** NO, TO THE SHERIFF, BECAUSE THERE'S SOME REQUEST
13 FROM THE SHERIFF FOR MORE PERSONNEL, I THINK, AND IF I AM NOT
14 MISTAKEN-- AND I MIGHT BE. I THINK THAT EVEN IN THIS MOTION,
15 WHERE THERE'S ESSENTIALLY A WORKAROUND, BECAUSE, AS MAX JUST
16 SAID, WE STILL NEED TO GET INFORMATION FROM THE SHERIFF'S
17 DEPARTMENT, I THOUGHT THAT THERE WERE SOME... A SENSE OF
18 ALLOCATION FOR MORE PERSONNEL IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
19 ITSELF. I COULD BE WRONG.

20

21 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO, UNDERSTOOD, SUPERVISOR. YES, THE
22 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DOES HAVE A CURRENT COMPLEMENT OF STAFF
23 THAT SOME OF THEM ARE DEDICATED TO THIS FUNCTION. IF THE BOARD
24 WERE TO ADOPT THIS MOTION, AND ALLOCATED ADDITIONAL FUNDING,
25 AND WERE IT TO GO TO THE SHERIFF, THE ANSWER IS, AT THE END OF



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE DAY, WE DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO OR CONTROL OF WHAT THOSE
2 EMPLOYEES WOULD DO ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS. WE KNOW WHAT THEY
3 ARE SUPPOSED TO DO ON PAPER, BUT IN TERMS OF A PERSON SITTING
4 AT A DESK, IN A CHAIR, AND RECEIVING DIRECTIONS FROM A
5 SUPERVISOR TO DO OR NOT DO SOMETHING, WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO
6 CONTROL THAT.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** YOU KNOW, I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN VERY IN FAVOR OF
9 INDEPENDENCE. I LIKE INDEPENDENTLY ELECTED. BUT IN THIS CASE,
10 IT IS TRULY FRUSTRATING FOR THE BASIC NEEDS THAT THE COUNTY
11 HAS, JUST FOR INFORMATION, FOR TRANSPARENCY, AND REALLY FOR
12 INTEGRITY. MAYBE WE COULD GET KERN COUNTY TO TRY TO RECRUIT
13 THE SHERIFF. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR
16 KUEHL, THE SECOND SECTION OF THE MOTION STATES THAT WE WOULD
17 BE INSTRUCTING THE C.E.O., IN CONSULTATION WITH COUNTY COUNSEL
18 AND OTHER RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS, TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD
19 IN WRITING WITH THE FINAL CHANGES FOR THE BUDGET 2022-23, WITH
20 THE APPROPRIATE STAFFING POSITIONS AND A FUNDING PLAN TO BEGIN
21 IMPLEMENTATION OF A UNIT, WITHIN COUNTY COUNSEL, TASKED WITH
22 PROCESSING 1421-RELATED P.R.A.S. AND TO GET TO THE POINT I WAS
23 TRYING TO RAISE EARLIER FROM THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, TO GET A
24 SENSE OF WHERE WE ARE WITH REGARD TO 1421 COMPLIANCE,
25 ACCORDING TO YOUR MOST RECENT REPORT, MR. INSPECTOR GENERAL,

EXHIBIT 65



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

March 1, 2022

Page ID #:7488



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022, ON PAGE 257]

3
4
5 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: WELCOME TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED
6 MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHICH
7 IS BEING HELD REMOTELY. TODAY IS TUESDAY MARCH 1ST, 2022. WE
8 WILL NOW TAKE ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. EVERYBODY
9 UNMUTE YOUR MICS AND GET READY. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

10
11 SUP. SOLIS: PRESENT.

12
13 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: IS SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

14
15 SUP. KUEHL: PRESENT.

16
17 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

18
19 SUP. HAHN: PRESENT.

20
21 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER.

22
23 SUP. BARGER: PRESENT.

24
25 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: MS. DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1

2 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL.

5

6 **ATTORNEY:** PRESENT.

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WILL YOU DO US THE

9 HONOR BY LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE?

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. AND IF I CAN TAKE A MOMENT OF

12 PERSONAL PRIVILEGE TO ASK THAT, BEFORE WE DO THE PLEDGE, IF WE

13 TAKE A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE WHO HAVE

14 LOST THEIR LIVES AND LIVELIHOODS FIGHTING FOR THEIR COUNTRY,

15 AND THEN I WOULD GLADLY DO THE PLEDGE, IF THAT'S PERMISSIBLE.

16

17 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU SO MUCH, WE WILL

18 TAKE A MOMENT OF SILENCE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. NOW, IF YOU

19 WILL PLEASE JOIN ME BY PLACING YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR

20 HEART, AND WE WILL LEAD YOU IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. I

21 PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

22 AND TO THE REPUBLIC, FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD

23 INDIVISIBLE WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. THANK YOU, MADAM

24 CHAIR AND MEMBERS.

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY AMONG IMMIGRANTS LOOKING AND SEEKING
2 FOR CITIZENSHIP INFORMATION AND TRYING TO IDENTIFY, AND JUST
3 AN INSTANCE, AN ATTORNEY, A REPUTABLE REPRESENTATION FOR THEM
4 SO THEY CAN PURSUE THEIR CITIZENSHIP. IN MANY WAYS, THERE ARE
5 MANY GROUPS OUT THERE THAT PREY ON THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY AND
6 WILL PUT THEMSELVES OUT THERE AS LEGITIMATE LICENSED NOTARIOS.
7 AND NOTARIOS IN SPANISH MEANS LAWYER. IT'S INTERCHANGEABLE.
8 AND WE KNOW THAT HAPPENS. SO, IN MY OPINION, THIS EFFORT IS
9 REALLY TO SAY IT'S NOT GOING TO BE ALL CUT AND DRY. WE'LL BE
10 MOVING IN AN AREA WHERE WE WANT TO HELP OUR DEPARTMENTS AND
11 REALLY HELP THE RESIDENTS THAT WE SERVE BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT
12 WE NEED TO DO TO MAKE SURE WE ARE PUTTING OUT INFORMATION IN A
13 CORRECT MANNER. I'M NOT IN ANY WAY STIFLING ANYONE'S FIRST
14 AMENDMENT RIGHT. BY ALL MEANS, WE WANT TO BE TRANSPARENT. WE
15 WANT OUR OWN DEPARTMENTS, WE WANT OUR OWN SHERIFF TO BE
16 TRANSPARENT. AND AS WE HEARD EARLIER TODAY BY MANY PEOPLE WHO
17 ARE CALLING IN, THERE IS A LOT OF MISINFORMATION THAT'S BEING
18 PUT OUT THERE. WE'RE NOT SILENCING PEOPLE, BUT WE'RE PUTTING
19 OUT FACTS, AND I THINK THAT'S WHERE OUR ROLE AND OUR JOB IS,
20 AND THAT'S WHY WE RELY IN OUR C.E.O. AND IS DEPARTMENT HEADS
21 TO HELP US WITH THAT MESSAGING AND WITH OUR COMMUNICATIONS
22 OFFICER AND OTHERS. SO THAT'S WHERE I BELIEVE THIS MOTION WILL
23 TAKE US, AND I THINK THAT IT'S TIME THAT WE BEGIN TO DO IT.
24 OTHER GROUPS ARE DOING IT. A VERY REPUTABLE ORGANIZATION THAT
25 WAS MENTIONED, THE ASPEN INSTITUTE, HAS BEEN AROUND FOR



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE PROGRAMMING ISSUE, THAT YOU'VE SPOKEN TO THE SHERIFF'S
2 DEPARTMENT ABOUT YOUR FINDINGS THAT AFRICAN AMERICANS WERE NOT
3 RECEIVING THE SAME LEVEL OF PROGRAMS AS THEIR WHITE AND LATINA
4 PEERS. I'M GUESSING YOU BRING THIS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE
5 SHERIFF, AND I'M CURIOUS HOW THE SHERIFF IS RESOLVING THAT
6 ISSUE.

7

8 **MAX HUNTSMAN:** WE BRING THEM TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THE
9 SHERIFF HIMSELF DOES NOT SPEAK TO ME MUCH. BUT WE CERTAINLY
10 HAVE A BETTER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CUSTODY DEPARTMENT WHERE A
11 FEDERAL MONITOR IS TO DISABILITY MATTERS, SO THEY HAVE TO
12 SPEAK TO US. AND THEY'RE VERY RECEPTIVE AND IS TALK TO US, NOT
13 TO SAY THAT WE AGREE WITH EVERYTHING, BUT WE'RE COMMUNICATING,
14 AND WE'RE WORKING ON GETTING BETTER DATA AND ALSO BRINGING
15 THEM BEFORE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION WHEN POSSIBLE, WHEN THE
16 SHERIFF DOESN'T PREVENT THAT, SO THAT WE CAN TRY TO RESOLVE
17 MATTERS IN A WAY THAT BENEFIT EVERYBODY.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. AND AGAIN, AND THANK YOU, BRANDON, FOR
20 YOUR WORK. ULTIMATELY, I THINK THERE'S A WILL OF THIS BOARD TO
21 ONE DAY DISMANTLE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. WE HEAR THE STORIES OF
22 IT NOT BEING SAFE OR HUMANE FOR DEPUTIES OR INMATES. BUT IN
23 THE -- I THINK THIS IS IN THE MEANTIME, THE WORK THAT YOU'RE
24 DOING IS SO IMPORTANT TO US LIVING UP TO OUR VALUES OF CARE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 THE FACT THAT WE HAVE ALREADY HEARD THAT THERE WERE OVER 13, I
2 UNDERSTAND, SHOOTINGS THAT TOOK PLACE, DEPUTY-INVOLVED
3 SHOOTINGS, AND WHAT'S NOTABLE HERE IS THAT L.A.S.D. DID NOT
4 PROVIDE THE O.I.G. ANY ACCESS TO INFORMATION OR VERY LIMITED
5 CLIPS FROM THE BODY WORN CAMERAS. AND THAT GOES FOR DIFFERENT
6 INSTANCES THAT ARE OUTLINED IN THE REPORT, IN SANTA CLARITA,
7 CENTURY, TEMPLE CITY, PICO RIVERA, EAST L.A., PALMDALE, SOUTH
8 L.A., AND WHITTIER, AND NORWALK, AND CARSON. I JUST WANTED TO
9 SAY TOO THAT I AM DEEPLY CONCERNED THAT INFORMATION IS NOT
10 BEING AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC, AND TO US, AND TO YOU, MORE
11 IMPORTANTLY, BECAUSE WE HELPED TO EMPOWER YOUR OFFICE TO DO
12 THAT. AND I GET IT. THERE'S A ROADBLOCK THERE. MAJOR
13 CHALLENGES WITH THE SHERIFF. PERHAPS THE DEPUTIES AND OTHER
14 FOLKS TO WANT TO COOPERATE, BUT THEY MAY NOT BE GETTING THAT
15 MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP OR TEAM THAT SHOULD BE PROVIDING
16 THAT ASSISTANCE TO US. AND WHAT HAPPENS IN THE END IS WE END
17 UP EXPENDING MORE TAXPAYER DOLLARS BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE HARMED.
18 WE HAVE TO SETTLE LAWSUITS. AND WE HAVE TO TAKE CORRECTIVE
19 ACTION PLANS THAT ALL COST US A GREAT DEAL OF MONEY. WE SHOULD
20 IN MY OPINION, BE GOING TO HELP PEOPLE AS YOU SAID EARLIER,
21 BRANDON, TO GET PEOPLE OUT THAT CAN BE TREATED, COMFORTABLY,
22 AND APPROPRIATELY IN OUR COMMUNITIES OR OTHER FACILITIES, AND
23 WE DO HAVE TO EVENTUALLY LOOK AT CLOSING MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL,
24 WHICH SOMEONE SAID EARLIER ON A CALL THAT IT IS A DUNGEON. WE
25 ALL KNOW IT IS. FOR PETE'S SAKE, WHO WOULD WANT TO HAVE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 INVESTIGATED. AND WHEN OUR GOVERNMENT USES ITS RESOURCES TO
2 PREVENT INVESTIGATION, RATHER THAN TO FIND THE TRUTH, THAT'S
3 SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE TO GET THE COURTS TO ISSUE ORDERS ON.
4 AND SO, SO WE ARE WORKING ON THAT.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU BOTH FOR YOUR PRESENTATION, MAX AND
7 BRANDON. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. VERY QUICKLY, TWO THINGS.
12 IN -- AS RESPECTS THE SHERIFF'S FAILURE TO DEAL WITH THE
13 PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST.

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SOLIS, YOU ARE NOT MUTED.

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL:** I WANTED TO GIVE MY APPRECIATION TO CHAIR MITCHELL
18 AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR YOUR MOTION FROM THE LAST MEETING TO
19 IMPROVE THE SHERIFF'S COMPLIANCE WITH P.R.A. REQUESTS AND
20 HAPPY TO SEE THE ORDINANCE IS ON OUR AGENDA THIS WEEK, BUT AS
21 SUPERVISOR SOLIS SAID, AND THE REST OF US, IT IS UNFORTUNATE
22 THAT WE HAVE TO PAY BECAUSE THE SHERIFF DIDN'T COMPLY WITH
23 P.R.A. REQUESTS, AND WE HAVE TO SETTLE A LAWSUIT. SO -- I
24 LOOK FORWARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ORDINANCE AND THE
25 COUNTY COUNSEL'S MANAGEMENT OF P.R.A. COMPLIANCE. FOR BRANDON,

EXHIBIT 66



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2022 ON PAGE 273]

3
4
5 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, AND WELCOME TO THE
6 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS, WHICH IS BEING HELD REMOTELY, AND TODAY IS
8 TUESDAY, JULY 12TH, 2022. WE WILL TAKE ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM
9 ATTENDANCE, BEGINNING WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS. GOOD MORNING.

10
11 SUP. SOLIS: GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

12
13 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

14
15 SUP. KUEHL: GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

16
17 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HAHN?

18
19 SUP. HAHN: GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

20
21 SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: AND SUPERVISOR BARGER?

22
23 SUP. BARGER: PRESENT.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE
2 OFFICER?

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** DAWYN HARRISON, ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL?

7

8 **DAWYN HARRISON:** PRESENT.

9

10 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU WILL DO US THE
15 HONOR OF LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE?

16

17 **SUP. HAHN:** YES. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED
18 STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS,
19 ONE NATION, UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE
20 FOR ALL... SOMEDAY. WE'RE GETTING CLOSE.

21

22 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AS INDICATED ON THE
23 POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENT
24 DURING TODAY'S MEETING. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD
25 RECEIVED OVER 2,000 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT FOR TODAY'S



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF
2 THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR
3 CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE
4 WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT THROUGHOUT THE
5 MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD.
6 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
9 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTERS.
10 SET MATTER 1 IS A REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND
11 APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT HEADS, AS NECESSARY, ON THE STATUS OF
12 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING AND CONSIDERATION OF NECESSARY
13 ACTION. SET MATTER TWO IS A DISCUSSION IN CONSIDERATION OF
14 NECESSARY ACTION ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO
15 C.O.V.I.D.-19, AND A STATUS ON THE C.O.V.I.D.-19 VACCINE.
16 THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE THREE,
17 CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 3 THROUGH 24. ON
18 ITEM 2-- EXCUSE ME, ON ITEM 6, THIS INCLUDES A CORRECTION, AS
19 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 11, SUPERVISOR
20 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A
21 REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 12,
22 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
23 13, SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS WOULD LIKE TO REVISE
24 DIRECTIVE NUMBER ONE TO REMOVE, "THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE LOS
25 ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT," AND ADD, "IMPACTED SCHOOL



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SUPERVISOR BARGER TO BRING IT TO OUR ATTENTION. ROMAN NUMERALS
2 WERE TRANSPOSED, SO LET ME JUST CLARIFY THAT ON PAGE THREE,
3 THE LAST PARAGRAPH CURRENTLY READS, OF THE MOTION, "PURSUANT
4 TO CALIFORNIA STATE CONSTITUTION ARTICLE 9, SECTION 4, SUBS B
5 AND C." IT SHOULD READ, "PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA STATE
6 CONSTITUTION ARTICLE 11, SECTION 4, SUB B AND C, THE BOARD MAY
7 PROVIDE FOR THE TERMS OF REMOVAL, DOT DOT DOT." SO, I WANTED
8 TO PROVIDE THAT CLARIFICATION BEFORE WE GET STARTED. I WOULD
9 ALSO LIKE TO ADDRESS SOME THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN SAID ABOUT
10 THIS MOTION OVER THE LAST SEVERAL DAYS AND WEEKS. SO, LET'S BE
11 CLEAR ABOUT THE ACTUAL ITEM BEFORE US TODAY. IF APPROVED, THIS
12 MOTION BEGINS A PROCESS THAT WOULD EMPOWER THE VOTERS TO
13 DECIDE WHETHER THE BOARD SHOULD BE ABLE TO REMOVE A SHERIFF,
14 ONLY FOR CAUSE. AS A CHARTER COUNTY, THE CALIFORNIA
15 CONSTITUTION AUTHORIZES COUNTY CHARTERS TO PROVIDE FOR, QUOTE,
16 "THE REMOVAL OF COUNTY OFFICERS, INCLUDING AN ELECTED
17 SHERIFF." A PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT WOULD THEREFORE BE
18 NEEDED. A CALIFORNIA APPEALS COURT HAS CONFIRMED THAT THIS
19 REMOVAL POWER IS CONSISTENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION.
20 AFTER SAN BERNARDINO'S SHERIFF PENROD CHALLENGED AN ORDINANCE
21 PROVIDING FOR THE REMOVAL OF ELECTED OFFICERS, INCLUDING THE
22 SHERIFF, THE COURT UPHELD THE ORDINANCE AND FOUND THAT IT WAS
23 AUTHORIZED BY THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION. WITH VOTER
24 APPROVAL, WE WOULD CREATE A PROCESS BY WHICH A SHERIFF COULD
25 BE REMOVED FOR, ONE, VIOLATION OF ANY LAW RELATED TO THE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES; TWO, FLAGRANT NEGLECT OF
2 DUTIES; THREE, A MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC RESOURCES; FOUR,
3 WILLFUL FALSIFICATION OF AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT; OR 5,
4 OBSTRUCTION OF ANY INVESTIGATION INTO THE SHERIFF'S CONDUCT.
5 THE JUSTIFICATION FOR REMOVAL COULD NOT LEGALLY AFFECT THE
6 INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIVE AND PROSECUTORIAL FUNCTIONS OF THE
7 SHERIFF. THE ISSUE OF SHERIFF ACCOUNTABILITY BEFORE US IS BOTH
8 URGENT AND SYSTEMIC, HAVING IMPACTED PAST GENERATIONS OF
9 ANGELENOS, BUT ALSO WITH IMPORTANT CONSEQUENCES FOR THE
10 FUTURE. UNFORTUNATELY, THE COUNTY HAS HAD LONG AND TROUBLING
11 HISTORY WITH SHERIFF OVERSIGHT AND TRANSPARENCY. FORMER
12 SHERIFF LEE BACA, WHO WENT TO PRISON FOR OBSTRUCTION OF
13 JUSTICE AND LYING TO FEDERAL INVESTIGATORS, MAY HAVE BEST
14 DEMONSTRATED THE INADEQUACY OF EXISTING CHECKS ON SHERIFF
15 POWER, BY FAMOUSLY REMINDING ALL OF US THAT NOT ELECTING HIM
16 WAS THE ONLY WAY TO HOLD HIM ACCOUNTABLE. THE BOARD TAKES ITS
17 LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPERVISING THE CONDUCT OF COUNTY
18 OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES VERY SERIOUSLY. FOR THE SHERIFF'S
19 DEPARTMENT, THIS DUTY TAKES ON SOBERING IMPORTANCE, GIVEN THE
20 DEPARTMENT'S TREMENDOUS REACH AND POWER, AND THE FACT THAT THE
21 SHERIFF COMMANDS AND CONTROLS A PARAMILITARY ORGANIZATION,
22 WHERE THERE IS A STRICT ADHERENCE TO THE CHAIN OF COMMAND. THE
23 BOARD HAS BEEN LIMITED IN ITS ABILITY TO CHECK THIS SHERIFF'S
24 FLAGRANT DISREGARD OF LAWFUL OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY. A
25 FEW EXAMPLES: THE SHERIFF HAS DENIED MULTIPLE SUBPOENAS, AND



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 HAS REFUSED TO APPEAR AT SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
2 MEETINGS. HE HAS INTIMIDATED AND HARASSED INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE
3 TASKED WITH OVERSIGHT. HE HAS REFUSED TO COOPERATE WITH THE
4 OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S ATTEMPTS AT INDEPENDENT
5 INVESTIGATIONS AND MONITORING. JUST LAST WEEK, COUNTY LAWYERS
6 WERE FORCED TO BRING LEGAL ACTION AGAINST THE SHERIFF, TO ASK
7 THE COURT TO REQUIRE HIM TO COOPERATE WITH THE O.I.G., AS
8 REQUIRED BY BOTH THE COUNTY ORDINANCE THAT CREATED THE OFFICE
9 OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, AND PENAL CODE SECTION 13670: A STATE
10 LAW THAT REQUIRES THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, QUOTE, "SHALL
11 COOPERATE," END QUOTE, IN ANY INVESTIGATION INTO LAW
12 ENFORCEMENT GANGS BY AN INSPECTOR GENERAL. THE VOTERS, THE
13 STATE LEGISLATURE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, HAVE GONE TO
14 GREAT LENGTH TO CREATE A SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND
15 TRANSPARENCY. HOWEVER, THE CURRENT SYSTEM HAS ALLOWED ABUSES
16 OF POWER TO THRIVE LARGELY UNCHECKED, WITH SERIOUS
17 CONSEQUENCES FOR PUBLIC SAFETY. SADLY, IT HAS BECOME PAINFULLY
18 CLEAR THAT THE BOARD MUST PUT THIS QUESTION TO THE VOTERS.
19 THIS PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT WOULD ALLOW THE BOARD TO ACT
20 EXPEDITIOUSLY TO REMOVE A SHERIFF WHO VIOLATES THE LAW.
21 RETIRED SHERIFF CHIEF MATTHEW BURSON'S TESTIMONY DURING THE
22 JULY 1, 2022, SPECIAL HEARING ON DEPUTY GANGS IN THE SHERIFF'S
23 DEPARTMENT, AFTER REFLECTING ON HIS 35-YEAR CAREER, I FOUND
24 QUITE PROFOUND. HE STATED, AND I QUOTE: "I FEEL WE HAVE LOST
25 THE COMMUNITY, THE PEOPLE WE ARE SUPPOSED TO SERVE AND



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PROTECT. IT IS GOING TO TAKE A LOT OF LEADERSHIP AND A LOT OF
2 GROWING TO REGAIN THAT TRUST," END QUOTE. EVERY DAY, FROM THE
3 MOMENT I WAS ELECTED TO THIS BOARD, I HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE
4 COMMUNITY WHO HAVE LOST THAT TRUST, AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I
5 INTRODUCED THIS MOTION AS A STEP TO HELP REGAIN THAT TRUST,
6 WITHOUT, IN MY HUMBLE OPINION, TRUE PUBLIC SAFETY IS NOT
7 POSSIBLE. THE VOTERS DESERVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DECIDE WHETHER
8 THIS IS THE RIGHT WAY TO ENHANCE ACCOUNTABILITY OF THE
9 SHERIFF, OF THE ELECTED SHERIFF, AND PROTECT THE LIVES AND
10 LIBERTIES OF COUNTY RESIDENTS. WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES. THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU
13 FOR INVITING ME TO JOIN YOU AS CO-AUTHOR ON THE MOTION. AND I
14 COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE ABOUT YOUR REFERENCE REGARDING
15 THAT THIS IS REALLY THE ABILITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO HAVE A VOICE
16 AND TO MAKE A DECISION. WE ARE SIMPLY FACILITATING AN ACT THAT
17 WE APPROPRIATELY HAVE JUSTIFICATION AND AUTHORITY TO CARRY
18 THROUGH. AND I, OF ALL PEOPLE, UNDERSTAND THIS HAS BEEN
19 AGONIZING AND SOMETIMES TERRIBLE MOMENT FOR US TO BE IN. BUT I
20 THINK TODAY WAS VERY CLEAR, WHEN WE HEARD FROM OUR RESIDENTS
21 WHO CALLED IN TODAY AND GAVE PUBLIC COMMENT, ESPECIALLY FROM
22 SURVIVING FAMILIES. IT WAS VERY COMPELLING TO HEAR FROM JUST
23 ABOUT EVERY DISTRICT WHERE THERE HAS BEEN AN INCIDENT, WHERE
24 THERE HAS BEEN AN UNRULY ACT OF VIOLENCE AGAINST OUR
25 COMMUNITY, AND DISREGARD FOR GETTING BACK TO OUR COMMUNITY



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ABOUT EVIDENCE AND INFORMATION, FACTUAL INFORMATION THAT WE
2 KNOW WE PROVIDED TOOLS FOR OUR SHERIFFS TO BE ABLE TO USE.
3 NUMBER ONE WAS THE USE OF BODY CAMERAS. THAT WAS AN ITEM THAT
4 I KNOW I BROUGHT UP SEVERAL YEARS AGO, ALONG WITH MARK RIDLEY-
5 THOMAS, WHEN HE SERVED AS SUPERVISOR. WE WERE VERY ADAMANT
6 ABOUT TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE WAS TRANSPARENCY THEN.
7 BUT THAT WAS ALSO SOMEHOW CIRCUMVENTED, BECAUSE THERE WAS A
8 NOTION THAT THERE WEREN'T ENOUGH STAFF THAT COULD REVIEW ALL
9 THE VIDEOS, AND THAT THERE HAD TO BE SO MUCH BUREAUCRATIC MESS
10 THAT WOULD CHALLENGE THIS EFFORT FROM GOING FORWARD. AND IT
11 TOOK YEARS. AND NOW WE THINK-- OR THE SHERIFF THINKS THAT
12 SOMEHOW HE HAS PROVIDED A RELIEF IN THAT AREA, AND HE HASN'T.
13 SO, TIME AND TIME AGAIN, WE CONTINUE TO HEAR ABOUT TRAUMA AND
14 THE EXPERIENCE, AND THE INTIMIDATION THAT CONTINUES, THAT IS
15 ENDURED BY SO MANY PEOPLE-- BY YOUNG AND OLD, BY FAMILIES AND
16 BY OTHERS. AND WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. WHEN I THINK
17 ABOUT THIS MOTION, I KNOW THAT IT IS REALLY ABOUT PROVIDING
18 ACCOUNTABILITY. AND THIS ISN'T SOMEHOW, IN MY OPINION, VIEWED
19 AS ANTI-LAW ENFORCEMENT. IN FACT, IT IS ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY.
20 AND THAT GOES HAND IN HAND WITH PUBLIC SAFETY, BECAUSE IF
21 PEOPLE ARE NOT FEELING THAT THEY CAN TRUST OUR PUBLIC SAFETY
22 SYSTEM, THEN THERE IS NO ACCOUNTABILITY. AND WHO ARE WE, THEN,
23 AS A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHO ARE GIVEN AND TAKE THE OATH OF
24 OFFICE TO PROVIDE THAT? TO MAKE SURE, WE DON'T CONTROL
25 EVERYTHING THAT THE SHERIFF CAN DO, BUT I WILL TELL YOU THIS:



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 WE DO HAVE A ROLE TO PLAY. WE DO HAVE JURISDICTION OVER HIS
2 BUDGETS, AND WE CAN SAY THAT THERE ARE INITIATIVES THAT WE
3 WANT HIM TO FOLLOW. IN FACT, YOU CITED MANY OF THOSE
4 INITIATIVES THAT HAVE COME FORWARD, CHAIRWOMAN MITCHELL,
5 REGARDING THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, AS WELL AS OTHER
6 ENTITIES THAT WE HAVE CREATED-- THE O.I.G.-- TO HELP PROVIDE
7 ASSISTANCE. BUT WE'VE FOUND THOSE IN LACKING; AND YET, WE
8 CONTINUE TO SEE INTIMIDATION AND HARASSMENT FROM THIS
9 DEPARTMENT. AND WHEN THERE IS MISCONDUCT, THE EXPECTATION IS
10 THAT THERE WILL BE CONSEQUENCES. WE ALSO EXPECT THAT THE
11 LEADER OF THE LARGEST SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTRY WILL
12 ABIDE HIMSELF BY THE LAW, AND RESPECT STRUCTURES AND SYSTEMS
13 OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY. RATHER, AS FAR BACK AS A
14 DECADE, AS YOU HAVE SAID, AS WELL, FORMER SHERIFF LEE BACA,
15 AND SADLY, WITH THIS CURRENT SHERIFF'S LACK OF RESPECT FOR
16 OVERSIGHT, WE HAVE SEEN LEADERSHIP ACT WITH IMPUNITY THAT HAS
17 COST THE COUNTY MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, AND HAS
18 CONTRIBUTED TO GENERATIONAL AND COMMUNITY TRAUMA AND HARM. THE
19 BOARD, AS YOU KNOW, IS RESPONSIBLE FOR GUIDING AND SETTING
20 POLICIES AND THE BUDGET FOR ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING
21 THE SHERIFF'S; BUT WITH THE LATTER, IT COMES WITH LIMITATIONS.
22 WHAT IS IN FRONT OF US IS AN OPPORTUNITY TODAY THAT WE CAN PUT
23 BEFORE THE VOTERS TO AMEND THE COUNTY CHARTER TO GIVE THE
24 BOARD THE AUTHORITY TO REMOVE A SHERIFF UNDER CERTAIN FOR-
25 CAUSE CRITERIA. THIS ISN'T ABOUT A BLANKET REMOVAL OF A



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SHERIFF'S CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY; RATHER, WHEN THERE IS
2 CAUSE, WHEN THE INDIVIDUAL IN THE POSITION OF SHERIFF ENGAGES
3 IN: A VIOLATION OF LAW RELATED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR
4 DUTIES AS SHERIFF; FLAGRANT OR REPEATED NEGLECT OF DUTIES; A
5 MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS OR PROPERTY; OR WILLFUL
6 FALSIFICATION OF A RELEVANT OFFICIAL STATEMENT OR DOCUMENT; OR
7 OBSTRUCTION OF ANY INVESTIGATION INTO THE CONDUCT OF THIS
8 SHERIFF BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
9 COMMISSION, OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY WITH JURISDICTION
10 TO CONDUCT SUCH AN INVESTIGATION. INDEED, WE NEED BETTER
11 CHECKS AND BALANCES OVER THE SHERIFF IN INSTANCES IN WHICH
12 IMMEDIATE INTERVENTION BY COUNTY GOVERNANCE IS NEEDED. WE
13 CAN'T JUST SIT BACK AND WATCH THE DESTRUCTION OF A WAYWARD
14 SHERIFF. THE IMPACT HAS A DEVASTATING RIPPLE EFFECT WITHIN THE
15 DEPARTMENT, AND ON THE REPUTATION AND RELATIONSHIP THE SHERIFF
16 DEPARTMENT HAS WITH OVER 10 MILLION PEOPLE WHO CALL L.A. HOME.
17 WE HAVE SEEN WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THIS DOESN'T EXIST. THE
18 RESOLUTIONS ARE DELAYED, THE PROBLEMS AND THE DAMAGE BECOME
19 LARGER, AND TRUST CONTINUES TO ERODE. THE DEPARTMENT IS
20 INUNDATED WITH LAWSUITS, CONSENT DECREES, INVESTIGATIONS BY
21 STATE AND FEDERAL INVESTIGATIONS, CALLS FOR INVESTIGATIONS
22 FROM THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATORS ABOUT DEPUTY GANGS. IT
23 IS NOT ONLY SHAMEFUL, BUT IT PRESENTS A HARMFUL FACADE THAT
24 THE SHERIFF CAN DO ANYTHING IN L.A. COUNTY, UNCHECKED. IN
25 FISCAL YEAR 2019 THROUGH 2020, THE COUNTY SETTLED \$60 MILLION



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 WORTH OF LAWSUITS RESULTING FROM THE SHERIFF. I JUST THINK OF
2 THE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT HAVE GONE TO SETTLE L.A.S.D.
3 LAWSUITS THAT COULD HAVE GONE TO THE COUNTY'S CARE-FIRST
4 INITIATIVES, LIKE YOUTH PROGRAMMING, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN
5 THE JAILS, JOB TRAINING, AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS. THIS
6 SHOULD BE A CLEAR SIGNAL TO THE CURRENT AND FUTURE SHERIFFS,
7 AND THEIR ADMINISTRATION, THAT OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY IS
8 THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SAME COIN FOR PUBLIC SAFETY. THE
9 AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER COULD CREATE, IN MY OPINION, A ROBUST
10 ACCOUNTABILITY INFRASTRUCTURE TO ENSURE THERE IS RESPONSIVE
11 MECHANISMS IN PLACE TO SHUT DOWN CORRUPTION, MISCONDUCT, AND
12 ERRANT BEHAVIOR AND CULTURE FROM WITHIN AND FROM THE TOP. IF A
13 SHERIFF IS NOT ABLE TO FOLLOW THE LAW, OBSTRUCTS
14 INVESTIGATIONS CONDUCTED BY OUR OVERSIGHT ENTITIES, LIKE THE
15 O.I.G. AND SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, AND ENGAGES
16 IN MISCONDUCT, THE BOARD NEEDS STRONGER MECHANISMS TO CHECK
17 THESE TYPES OF HARMFUL BEHAVIOR. AND I BELIEVE THAT, SHOULD
18 THE VOTERS APPROVE THIS AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER, THIS CAN
19 HELP US FULFILL OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THEIR PEACE AND
20 SAFETY. WITH THAT, MADAM CHAIR, I THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO
21 BE YOUR CO-AUTHOR, AND I THANK THE MANY, MANY RESIDENTS THAT
22 CALLED IN TODAY, SHARING THEIR VERY PERSONAL STORIES, THEIR
23 GRIEF, THEIR HARDSHIP, AND THEIR PATIENCE FOR US TO DO
24 SOMETHING TO HELP THEM. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 ENCOURAGE MY BOARD COLLEAGUES TO VOTE AYE ON THE MEASURE.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. FIRST, WE WILL HEAR FROM
5 SUPERVISOR BARGER, WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU BOTH FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
8 AND I APPRECIATE THE INTENT OF THE MOTION, ALTHOUGH I HAVE
9 SIGNIFICANT CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT. I
10 REALLY DO BELIEVE THAT IT SETS A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT, AND
11 QUITE FRANKLY CREATES A SLIPPERY SLOPE. WHILE I DO NOT
12 CONDONE-- AND I REPEAT, I DO NOT CONDONE-- THE ACTIONS OF THE
13 CURRENT SHERIFF, AND I HAVE SPOKEN OUT WHEN NECESSARY. I KNOW
14 THAT MY COMMISSIONER HAS BEEN A VERY VOCAL COMMISSIONER, AS IT
15 RELATES TO HIS BLATANT DISREGARD FOR SUBPOENAS, FOR
16 TRANSPARENCY, AND THE OVERALL FRUSTRATION THAT HE FEELS THAT
17 HE IS ABOVE THE LAW. SO, THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THE ACTIONS
18 TAKEN BY THIS SHERIFF HAVE ACTUALLY PROVIDED YOU ALL WITH
19 SOMETHING: A VEHICLE TO INTRODUCE A MOTION LIKE THIS. BUT I
20 JUST WANT TO REMIND YOU-- AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL PUT TOGETHER
21 A REPORT THAT GAVE THE FOUR WAYS TO REMOVE AN ELECTED OFFICIAL
22 FROM OFFICE. IT CAN BE, ONE, INITIATED BY THE CIVIL GRAND
23 JURY, BY PRESENTING A WRITTEN ACCUSATION TO THE DISTRICT
24 ATTORNEY AGAINST ANY COUNTY OFFICER FOR WILLFUL OR CORRUPT
25 MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE. NUMBER TWO, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 HOLDING THE D.C.F.S. DIRECTOR ACCOUNTABLE FOR THAT LITIGATION
2 COST. SO I THINK THAT IS AN UNFAIR JUSTIFICATION TO MOVE
3 FORWARD WITH THE REMOVAL OF A SHERIFF, FOR WHAT IS CALLED
4 "JUST CAUSE." AGAIN, I JUST WANT TO CAUTION US ALL THAT THIS
5 ACTION HAS BROADER IMPLICATIONS THAN ONE INDIVIDUAL, AND I
6 STRONGLY DISAGREE WITH THE ACTION. I THINK IT OUGHT TO APPLY
7 NOT ONLY TO ONE ELECTED, BUT TO ALL. AND IF WE ARE GOING TO DO
8 IT FOR THE SHERIFF, WE SHOULD DO IT FOR THE ASSESSOR, WE
9 SHOULD DO IT FOR THE D.A., AND QUITE FRANKLY, MAYBE FOR THIS
10 BOARD, AS WELL. I THINK ACCOUNTABILITY ACROSS THE BOARD SHOULD
11 BE IN PLAY. AND SO WITH THAT, I WILL BE CASTING A NO VOTE, BUT
12 IT'S NOT IN SUPPORT OF WHAT THIS SHERIFF'S ACTIONS ARE DOING.
13 AND IF ANYTHING, I LISTEN TO THE C.O.C., AND I LISTEN TO MY
14 APPOINTEE, COMMISSIONER BONNER, WHO IS INCREDIBLY FRUSTRATED;
15 AND, BY THE WAY, FRUSTRATED WITH COUNTY COUNSEL, AS WELL,
16 BECAUSE COUNTY COUNSEL WANTED TO REISSUE A SUBPOENA, AND HE
17 WAS SAYING, "ENOUGH. GO INTO COURT, AND BASICALLY DO YOUR JOB.
18 WE WANT ENFORCEMENT DONE, WITHOUT DELAY. BECAUSE THIS SHERIFF
19 IS BEING DEFIANT." ALTHOUGH IT WAS FOR SOMEONE ELSE WHO WAS
20 SUBPOENAED, BUT THE POINT BEING, WE NEED TO BE AS AGGRESSIVE
21 AS IT RELATES TO ENFORCEMENT, WITH WHAT IS GOING ON RIGHT NOW,
22 AND I BELIEVE THAT DOING THIS CHARTER AMENDMENT FOR ONE OFFICE
23 UNDERMINES, REALLY, THE CREDIBILITY OF THIS BOARD, AS WELL. SO
24 I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THIS. SOMEONE ASKED ME, IF IT
25 HAD THE ADDITIONAL 3 OFFICES, WOULD I? AND I'LL BE HONEST WITH



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 YOU: I PROBABLY WOULD SUPPORT IT, BECAUSE I THINK THAT THEN IT
2 LOOKS LIKE IT'S BEING APPLIED ACROSS THE BOARD. BUT BASED ON
3 THE REASONS GIVEN, I THINK THIS IS MORE PERSONAL THAN IT IS
4 ABOUT THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR
7 HAHN.

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I HAVE SUCH
10 RESPECT FOR MY COLLEAGUE AND MY SEATMATE, SUPERVISOR BARGER,
11 EVEN MORE WHEN I DISAGREE WITH HER ON ALMOST EVERYTHING SHE
12 SAYS. I AM DOING MY JOB IF I DO THIS. YOU SAY TO ME, "LET'S DO
13 OUR JOBS"? I AM DOING MY JOB IF I VOTE FOR THIS. IF I WERE ON
14 THE CITY COUNCIL-- THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES OR VIRTUALLY ANY
15 CITY WITH A POLICE CHIEF-- I WOULD BE ABLE TO VOTE TO REMOVE
16 HIM. I WOULD BE ABLE TO ASK THE MAYOR TO REMOVE HIM, DEPENDING
17 ON WHAT THE CITY CHARTER SAYS. AND IT IS AN IMPORTANT THING,
18 BECAUSE THIS PARTICULAR ELECTED OFFICE IS MORE POWERFUL-- I
19 DON'T SEE THE ASSESSOR GETTING PEOPLE KILLED. I MEAN, THIS
20 THING ABOUT THE D.A., I'LL TELL YOU-- WELL, WE'LL TALK ABOUT
21 THAT LATER. IT IS NOT, FOR ME, JUST ABOUT THIS SHERIFF. IT'S
22 REALLY ABOUT THE ABILITY TO HOLD SOMEONE ACCOUNTABLE WHEN THEY
23 HAVE A VERY POWERFUL POSITION. YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE FIVE
24 OF US, WHO PEOPLE HAVE-- I GUESS THEY DON'T MEAN IT AS A
25 COMPLIMENT, BUT I ALWAYS TOOK IT AS ONE-- THE 5 LITTLE QUEENS?



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 I HAVE BEEN TOLD THIS IS A POWERFUL POSITION, BUT I HAVE NOT
2 BEEN ABLE TO GET ANYTHING THROUGH JUST WITH MY OWN VOTE. QUITE
3 AMAZING. THIS IS A DEMOCRATIC-- AND I MEAN WITH A SMALL "D"--
4 BODY. I NEED 2 OF MY COLLEAGUES TO AGREE THAT WHAT I WANT TO
5 DO MAKES SENSE. IF THERE WERE 5 SHERIFFS, AND 3 OF THEM HAD TO
6 AGREE ON WHETHER PEOPLE COULD BE IN GANGS OR NOT, I'D FEEL A
7 LOT BETTER ABOUT IT, BECAUSE WE ARE A NATURAL-- WHAT SHALL I
8 SAY?-- LIMIT ON EACH OTHER. AND FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OUT THERE
9 THAT THINK, OH, WE JUST ALL THINK ALIKE, OR WE ALL AGREE, OR
10 WE'RE ALL VERY CRONY, WE ARE FRIENDS, AND WE DO RESPECT EACH
11 OTHER, BUT BY GOD, WE DON'T AGREE ON HALF OF EVERYTHING. AND
12 I'M GIVEN THE POSSIBILITY AND THE RESPONSIBILITY TO EXPRESS
13 WHAT I THINK IS RIGHT FOR THIS COUNTY AND FOR MY CONSTITUENTS,
14 AND IF I DON'T GET AGREEMENT, IT DOESN'T GET ENACTED. THAT IS
15 THE CHECK. WHERE'S THE CHECK ON THE SHERIFF? I BELIEVE THIS IS
16 THE APPROPRIATE THING TO DO. NOW, WE PROBABLY WOULD NOT HAVE
17 THOUGHT OF IT IF THIS SHERIFF HAD NOT BEEN SO EGREGIOUS IN HIS
18 BEHAVIOR. AND NOW THAT WE LOOK BACK, AND WE SEE THAT SHERIFF
19 BACA WAS NOT IN CONTROL OF HIS DEPARTMENT FOR A COUPLE OF THE
20 LAST YEARS, AND THAT IT WAS SORT OF RUNNING ROGUE, BASED ON
21 THE PEOPLE WHO WERE WORKING WITH HIM, IT GIVES US PAUSE, TOO,
22 AS TO WHY THE BOARD BEFORE US MIGHT NOT HAVE TAKEN THE SAME
23 ACTION. SO I STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS, AND TO ME, IT'S NOT
24 POLITICAL. TO ME, IT'S ABOUT POWER. AS I LOOK AROUND THIS
25 COUNTRY, AND I SEE THE DIFFERENT WAYS IN WHICH PEOPLE ARE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE STRONGLY FOR GUN SAFETY AND GUN VIOLENCE
2 PREVENTION. YOU KNOW, IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS, MANY MOTIONS
3 HAVE BEEN PUT FORWARD BY THIS BOARD, AND SUPPORTED BY THE
4 BOARD. THIS IS YET ANOTHER MOTION THAT WILL ENSURE THAT L.A.
5 COUNTY CONTINUES TO BE A BEACON OF HOPE DURING A TIME IN WHICH
6 MASS SHOOTINGS HAVE SOMEHOW, TRAGICALLY, BECOME A PART OF SO
7 MANY AMERICANS' DAILY LIVES. AND I'M SURE, LIKE OTHERS, IT WAS
8 UPSETTING TO LEARN THE SUPREME COURT'S RULING TO OVERTURN NEW
9 YORK'S CONCEALED CARRY GUN LAW: A MOST INSENSITIVE RULING THAT
10 CAME AT THE HEELS OF SOME OF THE DEADLIEST WEEKS IN AMERICA'S
11 HISTORY, WITH DOZENS OF PEOPLE WHO WERE MURDERED AS A RESULT
12 OF GUN VIOLENCE. PRIOR TO THE RULING, THE NUMBER OF C.C.W.
13 LICENSES ISSUED IN L.A. COUNTY BY THE SHERIFF CONTINUED TO
14 RISE AND INCREASE. SINCE HE'S TAKEN OFFICE, THE NUMBER OF
15 C.C.W. LICENSE ISSUANCES HAVE INCREASED BY FIVEFOLD. WHAT HAS
16 NOT INCREASED, HOWEVER, IS THE COST, AS YOU POINTED OUT,
17 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND I BELIEVE WE ARE UNDERCHARGING THOSE WHO
18 ARE APPLYING FOR C.C.W.S, RESULTING IN THE COUNTY HAVING TO
19 PAY THAT BALANCE. IN THE NAME OF PUBLIC SAFETY, WE NEED TO
20 ENSURE WE ARE ABIDING BY LAW, AND ANY ADVISEMENT BY OUR
21 STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND OUR COUNTY COUNSEL ON THE COUNTY
22 C.C.W. POLICY IS NEEDED. WE ALSO NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
23 RE-EXAMINING THE COST, AND ENSURE THAT THOSE WHO WANT TO GET
24 C.C.W.S ARE PAYING FOR THE FULL COST OF THAT EXPENDITURE. AND
25 I'M ALSO CONCERNED BY THE SHARP INCREASE IN THE C.C.W.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 READ AT THE END OF A WEEK, "THERE WERE 24 MORE MASS SHOOTINGS
2 THIS PAST WEEK." ACCESSIBILITY TO GUNS IS OBVIOUSLY A BIG
3 FACTOR, ALONG WITH PERMISSIVE LAWS ABOUT WHO CAN LEGALLY
4 OBTAIN A GUN, AND WHERE THEY'RE ALLOWED TO BE PRESENT. IT
5 SEEMS LIKE NOW THEY'RE EVERYWHERE. THE RECENT SUPREME COURT
6 RULING IN THE BRUEN CASE, WHICH OVERTURNED NEW YORK'S PRACTICE
7 OF ISSUING CONCEALED CARRY LICENSES ON THE BASIS THAT A PERSON
8 MUST PROVE THEY HAD A UNIQUE SELF-PROTECTION NEED, THAT WAS
9 OVERTURNED. IT'S DEEPLY CONCERNING, AS IT EXPANDS GUN RIGHTS
10 AT A TIME WHEN WE SO OBVIOUSLY NEED STRICTER REGULATIONS.
11 EVERYONE WOULD AGREE, I THINK, WE DON'T NEED LOOSER ONES; A
12 TIME WHEN PEOPLE ARE NEEDING AND WANTING A GREATER SENSE OF
13 SAFETY, AND THEN ARE NOW FACED WITH THE DECISION AND THE
14 REALITY THAT THIS PARTICULAR SUPREME COURT DECISION WILL LEAD
15 TO MORE GUNS IN PUBLIC SPACES, AND PRESUMABLY MORE SENSELESS
16 AND POTENTIALLY DEADLY ACTS OF VIOLENCE. SIMULTANEOUSLY,
17 SPEAKING OF THE SHERIFF, WE HAVE A SHERIFF WHO HAS INDICATED
18 HE WANTS TO REDUCE C.C.W. RESTRICTIONS. C.C.W. IS THE PERMIT
19 TO CARRY A CONCEALED WEAPON. HE WANTS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR
20 PEOPLE TO OBTAIN A C.C.W. PERMIT, MEANING THEY WILL BE ABLE TO
21 LEGALLY HAVE ON THEIR PERSON A CONCEALED GUN OUTSIDE THEIR
22 HOME. THIS DOESN'T INSPIRE CONFIDENCE THAT PUBLIC SAFETY WILL
23 BE IMPROVED. IN FACT, IT DOES QUITE THE OPPOSITE, BECAUSE
24 EVERY INDICATOR SHOWS THAT MORE GUNS HAVE NOT LED TO SAFER
25 COMMUNITIES. SO, WHAT CAN WE DO? WELL, ONE OF THE THINGS WE'RE



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE STRONGLY FOR GUN SAFETY AND GUN VIOLENCE
2 PREVENTION. YOU KNOW, IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS, MANY MOTIONS
3 HAVE BEEN PUT FORWARD BY THIS BOARD, AND SUPPORTED BY THE
4 BOARD. THIS IS YET ANOTHER MOTION THAT WILL ENSURE THAT L.A.
5 COUNTY CONTINUES TO BE A BEACON OF HOPE DURING A TIME IN WHICH
6 MASS SHOOTINGS HAVE SOMEHOW, TRAGICALLY, BECOME A PART OF SO
7 MANY AMERICANS' DAILY LIVES. AND I'M SURE, LIKE OTHERS, IT WAS
8 UPSETTING TO LEARN THE SUPREME COURT'S RULING TO OVERTURN NEW
9 YORK'S CONCEALED CARRY GUN LAW: A MOST INSENSITIVE RULING THAT
10 CAME AT THE HEELS OF SOME OF THE DEADLIEST WEEKS IN AMERICA'S
11 HISTORY, WITH DOZENS OF PEOPLE WHO WERE MURDERED AS A RESULT
12 OF GUN VIOLENCE. PRIOR TO THE RULING, THE NUMBER OF C.C.W.
13 LICENSES ISSUED IN L.A. COUNTY BY THE SHERIFF CONTINUED TO
14 RISE AND INCREASE. SINCE HE'S TAKEN OFFICE, THE NUMBER OF
15 C.C.W. LICENSE ISSUANCES HAVE INCREASED BY FIVEFOLD. WHAT HAS
16 NOT INCREASED, HOWEVER, IS THE COST, AS YOU POINTED OUT,
17 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND I BELIEVE WE ARE UNDERCHARGING THOSE WHO
18 ARE APPLYING FOR C.C.W.S, RESULTING IN THE COUNTY HAVING TO
19 PAY THAT BALANCE. IN THE NAME OF PUBLIC SAFETY, WE NEED TO
20 ENSURE WE ARE ABIDING BY LAW, AND ANY ADVISEMENT BY OUR
21 STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND OUR COUNTY COUNSEL ON THE COUNTY
22 C.C.W. POLICY IS NEEDED. WE ALSO NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
23 RE-EXAMINING THE COST, AND ENSURE THAT THOSE WHO WANT TO GET
24 C.C.W.S ARE PAYING FOR THE FULL COST OF THAT EXPENDITURE. AND
25 I'M ALSO CONCERNED BY THE SHARP INCREASE IN THE C.C.W.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 PROCEED. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE'RE DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN TO
2 PROTECT OUR COMMUNITIES FROM GUN VIOLENCE. ALMOST EXACTLY A
3 MONTH AGO, THIS BOARD APPROVED A MOTION THAT I INTRODUCED WITH
4 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, TO ASK OUR COUNTY COUNSEL FOR OPTIONS FOR
5 COMMONSENSE GUN REGULATIONS THAT WE CAN ENACT HERE AT THE
6 LOCAL LEVEL, AND I THINK GETTING THOSE OPTIONS ARE MORE
7 IMPORTANT NOW THAN EVER. AND I'VE ASKED OUR LAWYERS TO MAKE
8 SURE THAT THEY TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THIS NEW SUPREME COURT RULING
9 WHEN THEY GIVE US THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS. I THINK WE SHOULD BE
10 GETTING THAT BACK NEXT MONTH. THIS BOARD CARES DEEPLY ABOUT
11 PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITIES FROM GUN VIOLENCE. I WISH OUR
12 SUPREME COURT FELT THE SAME WAY. BUT IN THE MEANTIME, I THINK
13 WE DO HAVE TO DO WHATEVER WE CAN TO PROTECT OUR CONSTITUENTS.
14 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

15

16 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, I SUPPORT THIS MOTION, BUT I
19 HAVE ONE QUESTION AND THAT IS, SO, IN NOVEMBER OF 2020, THE
20 BOARD APPROVED THE SHERIFF'S REQUEST TO INCREASE THE
21 APPLICATION FROM \$66 TO \$150. BUT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAD
22 REVIEWED THE ACTUAL COST OF PROCESSING THE C.C.W.
23 APPLICATIONS, AND DETERMINED IT TO BE \$340.56. SO THE AUDITOR-
24 CONTROLLER CALCULATED WHAT THE ACTUAL COST IS TO ISSUE A
25 C.C.W. THE PROPOSED INCREASE, THOUGH, REMAINED AT \$150, AND IT



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 NEED TO PUT A HOLD ON REDEFINING WHAT QUALIFIES OR WHO CAN GET
2 A C.C.W. I DON'T THINK NOW IS A TIME TO BROADEN THAT. BUT I
3 ALSO RECOGNIZE THAT IF THE ACTUAL COST TO DO A LEGITIMATE
4 C.C.W. IS \$340.56, WE SHOULD BE RECOVERING THAT COST.
5 TAXPAYERS SHOULD NOT BE SUBSIDIZING THE COST FOR SOMEONE TO
6 GET A C.C.W. THE COST SHOULD BE PAID AND BEARED BY THAT
7 INDIVIDUAL. AND I WOULD ASK THAT IF WE DO WANT TO INVEST IN
8 THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION INITIATIVES, THAT WE HAVE THE ABILITY
9 TO IMPOSE A SURTAX, IF YOU WILL, ONTO A C.C.W., THAT WILL BE
10 DEDICATED TOWARD THAT. AND SO I WOULD JUST ASK THAT MAYBE THAT
11 BE CONSIDERED, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, ONLY BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO
12 FURTHER TAKE AWAY RESOURCES WHERE WE ALREADY KNOW THERE'S A
13 DEFICIT, AND I JUST FIND IT IRONIC THE SHERIFF NEVER BROUGHT
14 THAT UP AS AN ISSUE WHEN HE COMPLAINS ABOUT HOW HIS BUDGET IS
15 UPSIDE DOWN. SO I WOULD JUST ASK FOR CONSIDERATION ON THAT,
16 AND OTHER THAN THAT, I SUPPORT IT. I'M GOING TO SUPPORT IT
17 EVEN IF YOU DON'T ACCEPT THAT, BUT I THINK THAT IT'S
18 PROBLEMATIC AS IT RELATES TO TAKING MONEY THAT IS GOING TO
19 ACTUALLY COVER PERSONNEL COSTS. AND THOSE ARE PROBABLY NOT
20 EVEN SWORN, THAT ARE DOING THAT PERSONNEL COST. THANK YOU,
21 MADAM CHAIR.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR, IF I MAY ANSWER?

24

25 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** PLEASE.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER:** GOT IT. AND THEN, I'M SORRY. I HAVE ONE QUESTION,
2 BECAUSE I KNOW SUPERVISOR SOLIS SAID THAT THE INCREASE IN
3 C.C.W.S HAS GONE UP 5 TIMES, I THINK, IS WHAT SHE SAID. WE'VE
4 BEEN TRYING TO GET THE NUMBER OF C.C.W.S THAT THE SHERIFF IS
5 ISSUING, AND I CAN'T SEEM TO GET THAT NUMBER. BECAUSE I'VE
6 HEARD THAT, AND I'VE ALSO HEARD THAT, IN FACT, THEY'RE NOT
7 BEING ISSUED. AND I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR US TO KNOW
8 THE NUMBER OF C.C.W.S THAT ARE BEING ISSUED. WE DON'T HAVE TO
9 KNOW THE NAMES, BUT I THINK TO QUANTIFY IT WOULD BE HELPFUL.
10 BECAUSE WHEN YOU HEAR THAT NUMBER, THAT IS QUITE A BIT,
11 ESPECIALLY GIVEN THAT PRIOR ADMINISTRATIONS WERE NOT HANDING
12 OUT C.C.W.S LIKE CANDY. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO
13 UNDERSTAND WHAT THE NUMBERS ARE. YEAH. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR
16 COMMENTS ON THE MOTION? SEEING NONE, ITEM 22 IS BEFORE US.
17 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO
18 APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 22 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

25



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 WHAT IT WAS-- TO THE BACK OF HIS HEAD. SO, IT HAPPENED TWO
2 WEEKS EARLIER, IN THE EXACT SAME PLACE, AND SO IT WAS NOT A
3 ONE-OFF OR A SURPRISE. IT IS THE CULMINATION OF OVERCROWDING.
4 AND, YES, WE SHOULD VASTLY OVERSTAFF OUR JAILS, IN ORDER TO
5 NOT HAVE OVERCROWDING, BUT AS DR. BELAVICH TELLS YOU, THERE'S
6 A LIMIT TO THE PHYSICAL SPACE AVAILABLE. WELL, THE
7 CONSTITUTION HAS A REMEDY FOR THAT, WHICH IS, WE ARE NOT
8 ALLOWED TO STUFF MORE PEOPLE INTO A JAIL THAN WE CAN TAKE CARE
9 OF IN A WAY THAT IS SAFE FOR THE DEPUTIES, AND SAFE FOR THE
10 PRISONERS. AND SO THE CONSTITUTION HAS A VERY CLEAR REMEDY,
11 WHICH HAS NOT BEEN IMPLEMENTED, AND AS A RESULT, THE ATTORNEY
12 GENERAL IS IN TOWN, LOOKING AROUND, AND IT IS NOT A ONE-OFF.
13 IT IS NOT UNIQUE. THERE'S NOTHING THAT HASN'T BEEN HAPPENING
14 FOR A LONG TIME HERE, AND ISN'T GETTING WORSE NOW, TO BACK IN
15 THE WAYS IT WAS UNDER BACA. SO IT'S NOT NEW.

16

17 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH. I APPRECIATE IT. WELL, IT IS VERY DISTURBING.
18 AND, I MEAN, I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER THAT WE ARE
19 SUPPORTIVE OF MORE STAFFING AND REDUCING THE POPULATION. WE
20 ARE REALLY PROUD OF HOW THAT WENT DURING THE PANDEMIC, AND WE
21 THANK THE SHERIFF FOR HIS WORK ON REDUCING THE POPULATION
22 DURING THE PANDEMIC, WHICH MEANT THAT IT CAN BE DONE, AND IT
23 WAS DONE WITHOUT ANY RISK TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY. SO, WE GOT TO
24 FIGURE OUT HOW TO KEEP MOVING IN THAT DIRECTION TO REDUCE THE
25 POPULATION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 SIGNATURES BEING REVIEWED BY THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER AS WE
2 SPEAK, AS PART OF A RECALL ACTION OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY.
3 SURELY, THE PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN LOUD AND CLEAR ON THE EFFORT,
4 YET TODAY'S ACTION IS NOT LISTENING TO THEIR VOICES BY
5 INCLUDING THE D.A. AS PART OF THIS CHARTER. MOVING FORWARD
6 WITH THIS AMENDMENT, BY LIMITING IT TO THE SHERIFF, WITH LESS
7 THAN FOUR MONTHS AWAY FROM ELECTIONS, IS RIFE FOR SPECULATION,
8 AND I TRULY DO BELIEVE IT IS HIGHLY POLITICAL. AND PERHAPS
9 MOST TROUBLING, I THINK IT DILUTES THE VOICE OF THE LOS
10 ANGELES COUNTY VOTERS, AND IS GOING TO DEEPEN VOTER APATHY.
11 ANOTHER VERY TROUBLING ASPECT OF THIS ACTION IS ONE THAT CAN
12 BE, REALLY, WHAT I DESCRIBE AS A SLIPPERY SLOPE, ARE THE
13 DETAILS AND DEFINITION OF "CAUSE FOR REMOVAL." I UNDERSTAND
14 THAT COUNTY COUNSEL HAS NOT YET FULLY DRAFTED THOSE DETAILS,
15 AND I UNDERSTAND THAT SUCH DETAILS IN THE ORDINANCE MAY BE
16 REVISED IN THE FUTURE, LONG AFTER THE CHARTER AMENDMENT HAS
17 BEEN APPROVED BY THE VOTERS. ONE OF THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED--
18 AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS BROUGHT IT UP TODAY-- IS THE HIGH COST OF
19 LITIGATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES. HOWEVER, THIS DOES
20 NOT CONSTITUTE GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL OF THE SHERIFF. I ASKED THE
21 COUNTY COUNSEL ABOUT THIS YESTERDAY. AND I WOULD POINT OUT
22 THAT D.C.F.S., D.H.S., THE CORONER, HAVE HAD HIGH LITIGATION
23 COSTS THAT ARE OUT OF THEIR CONTROL. IT IS THE NATURE OF THE
24 JOB THAT THEY DO, AND THAT IS THE REALITY. SO, WHEN I LOOK AT
25 D.C.F.S., WE HAVE PAID A LOT OF MONEY OUT, BUT WE'RE NOT

VILLANUEVA v. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, et al. USDC CASE NO.: 2:24 cv 04979 SVW (JC)

PROOF OF SERVICE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, WESTERN DIVISION

I am an employee in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is 11520 San Vicente Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90049.

On April 28, 2025, I served the foregoing document, described as **“PLAINTIFF ALEX VILLANUEVA’S APPENDIX OF EXHIBITS IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS’ MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, SUMMARY ADJUDICATION, VOLUME 5 OF 5,”** on all interested parties in this action addressed as follows:

Louis R. Miller (State Bar No. 54141)
smiller@millerbarondess.com
Jason H. Tokoro (State Bar No. 252345)
jtokoro@millerbarondess.com
Steven G. Williamson (State Bar No. 343842)
swilliamson@millerbarondess.com
MILLER BARONDESS, LLP
2121 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 2600
Los Angeles, California 90067

☒ **BY CM/ECF NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING:** I electronically filed the document(s) with the Clerk of the Court by using the CM/ECF system. Participants in the case who are registered CM/ECF users will be served by the CM/ECF system. Participants in the case who are not registered CM/ECF users will be served by mail or by other means permitted by the court rules.

☒ **(FEDERAL)** I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.

Executed on April 28, 2025, at Los Angeles, California.



Amelia Sanchez